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## Summary

In April 2018, Oxford Archaeology were commissioned by CgMs Heritage (part of the RPS Group) on behalf of Barratt Homes to undertake an archaeological evaluation on the 55ha site of a consented housing development to the North of Fernwood, Newark (SK 82789 5136). A programme of 150 trenches was undertaken across the site, representing a 3% sample of the area, to ground-truth a previous phase of geophysical survey and assess the archaeological potential of the site.

The evaluation confirmed the presence of archaeological remains in areas identified by the geophysical survey. Remains were found in the western field in the form of a prehistoric square enclosure and a 14<sup>th</sup> century windmill mound. Another Bronze Age enclosure was found just to the south, and a single urned cremation was found on the southern edge of the proposed development area. Other features identified in the geophysical survey were found to correspond with modern disturbance relating to RAF Baldererton. A system of undated ridge and furrow was also recorded during the course of the trenching.

Away from the areas of archaeological activity, only 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> century agricultural field boundaries were identified. The installation of a gas pipeline and water culvert has also probably truncated any archaeology in the northwest of the site.

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Scope of work

- 1.1.1 Oxford Archaeology (OA) has been commissioned by CgMs Heritage Ltd on behalf of Barratt Homes to undertake an archaeological evaluation at the site of a proposed 50 ha mixed residential and commercial development at Fernwood Extension North (FE North), Newark, Nottinghamshire. The approved scheme comprises a phased expansion of the settlement at Fernwood, incorporating employment areas, schools and other community amenities. A programme of 150 trenches was undertaken across the site to ground-truth a previous phase of geophysical survey and assess the archaeological potential of the site.
- 1.1.2 The work was undertaken after the determination of the planning application (14/00465/OUTM). Draft planning condition 11 states “No development shall take place within any phase or sub phase pursuant to Condition 4 until a written scheme of investigation (WSI) for archaeology has been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority (LPA) in writing. For land that is included within the WSI, no development shall take place other than in accordance with the agreed WSI, which shall include the statement of significance and research objectives, and the programme and methodology of site investigation and recording and the nomination of a competent person(s) or organisation to undertake the agreed works; the programme for post-investigation assessment and subsequent analysis, publication and dissemination and deposition of resulting material. This part of the condition shall not be discharged until these elements have been fulfilled in accordance with the programme set out in the WSI.”
- 1.1.3 Discussions between Simon Mortimer, CgMs Consulting, and Newark and Sherwood District Council established the Local Authority's requirements for work necessary to evaluate the archaeological potential of the site.
- 1.1.4 This work follows on from the submission of a Cultural Heritage Assessment (Chapter 7; Cotswold Archaeology 2014) and geophysical survey (Preconstruct Geophysics 2013) that cover the site, which highlighted the potential for archaeological remains to survive, including Romano-British settlement enclosures, roundhouses and pit clusters. This report outlines the results of the archaeological evaluation work.
- 1.1.5 All work was undertaken in accordance with the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists *Standard and Guidance for Archaeological Excavation* (2014) and local and national planning policies.

### 1.2 Location, topography and geology

- 1.2.1 The site lies immediately north of Fernwood, Balderton (Centred on NGR: SK 82789 51360; Fig. 1) and is c. 55.8 ha in size. The A1 dual carriageway runs along the north-western boundary of the site and a railway line runs along the north-eastern boundary, both of which represent the county parish boundary. Housing estates within Fernwood are located along part of the southern and western boundaries.

- 1.2.2 The area of proposed development consists of large agricultural fields divided by hedgerows. A single track road runs south-east to north-west through the site.
- 1.2.3 The solid geology is mapped in its eastern area as mud and limestone sedimentary bedrock of the Barnston Member, its northern area as mudstone of the Cotham Member, the very northern corner as sand and gravel of the Balderton Member, and its western area as mudstone of the Westbury Formation (BGS Online Viewer). Superficial deposits are recorded as alluvium of clay, silt, sand and gravel in the south eastern corner and parts of the western area, and head deposits also of clay, silt, sand and gravel in the western area.

### **1.3 Archaeological and historical background**

- 1.3.1 The archaeological and historical background to the site is briefly summarized below. A more comprehensive description is available in the previous project Cultural Heritage Statement (Cotswold Archaeology 2014). CgMs Heritage has also prepared an 'Archaeological Overview' which synthesizes the results from previous phases and advances a preferred approach to future work, which this document adopts.

#### ***Prehistoric period (10,000 BC – AD 43)***

- 1.3.2 The only evidence of prehistoric activity from the site and wider area consists of casual finds of artefacts recorded on the HER at the southern boundary of the site. A Neolithic stone axe with a polished edge was recovered south of Balderfield, worked flint flakes were found 300m to the north-west at Balderton, and a Bronze Age palstave east of the site. The present course of the River Witham extends to within 930m of FE North. Previously, Bronze Age and Iron Age metalwork has been recovered from stretches of the River Witham, which may have been foci for the deposition of ritual objects.

#### ***Romano-British (AD 43 – 410)***

- 1.3.3 Roman activity within the site is represented primarily by a group of finds recovered from the ploughsoil (L1375). The finds include 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> century pottery (including Samian), two quern stones and six coins ranging from the 3<sup>rd</sup> to the 4<sup>th</sup> century in date. Pottery finds were densest on the western rim of a slight depression which represents a disused (backfilled) stone quarry. The depression was not noted on aerial photographs, nor was it visible during the site visit, and is likely to have been ploughed out.
- 1.3.4 A fragment of Roman quernstone and a Roman bead (1362) were recovered as chance finds within the south-east corner of field. A Roman spindle whorl has also been recovered from c. 500m to the east of the site (30221).
- 1.3.5 The accumulation of Roman finds and geophysical survey results indicated that this area had a high potential to contain archaeological remains of Roman date. From the available data, it was thought that these remains were likely to consist of manuring scatters associated with Roman farming practices and/or small enclosures and limited settlement dating to the Roman period.

### *Early medieval and medieval (AD 410 – 1485)*

- 1.3.6 The village of Balderton is included in the Domesday Survey, indicating that it is probably of early medieval origin. The parish church, dedicated to St Giles, is a Grade I listed building dating to the 12th century, and lies 500m to the north-west of the Fernwood North site. Small quantities of medieval pottery have been recorded in the ploughed fields surrounding the village.

### *Post-medieval and modern (AD 1485 to present)*

- 1.3.7 Many of the modern field boundaries can be traced back on historical maps to at least the 18<sup>th</sup> century, and appear to be related to enclosure field systems.

## **1.4 Previous archaeological field investigations**

- 1.4.1 A series of recent field investigations have been undertaken as part of the proposed or associated schemes. The results of these investigations are summarised below:

- 1.4.2 **Geophysical survey** – The magnetometer survey recorded well-defined traces of an enclosure and ring ditch at the eastern side of the Site within field FN1 (Fig. 2: Fernwood North Field 1). Both appear to contain internal features, including a possible circular ditch in the southwestern corner of the enclosure. The easternmost extent of the latter has been identified as a cropmark. The results also suggest the presence of a ditch to the northeast of the enclosure.

- 1.4.3 Potential ditches and pits were also detected in FN2. These include the eastern extent of a possible rectilinear enclosure in the central part of the survey area and an isolated group of potential pits c.100m to its southeast. A small group of possible pits were also recorded in the south-western part of the Site, in FN5.

- 1.4.4 **Newark South Development** - Between 2016 and 2017, Wessex Archaeology undertook excavations associated with the Newark South Development, to the west of the Site. The investigations revealed an extensive and probably multi-phase ditched field system, incorporating a probable ladder settlement running through the central area. The enclosures also contained the remains of up to a dozen round houses, together with a plethora of individual pits, postholes, small circular enclosures and a number of other features.

## 2 AIMS AND METHODOLOGY

### 2.1 Aims

2.1.1 The project aims and objectives were as follows:

- i. To determine the nature of any remains present
- ii. To determine or confirm the approximate date or date range of any remains, by means of artefactual or other evidence
- iii. To assess the accuracy of the archaeological assessment and geophysical survey in determining the true potential for significant archaeological remains within the site
- iv. To assess the artefactual and environmental potential of the archaeological deposits encountered
- v. To assess the impact of previous land use on site
- vi. To inform formulation of further measures to mitigate impacts of the proposed development on surviving archaeological remains
- vii. To produce a site archive for deposition with an appropriate museum and to provide information for accession to the Nottinghamshire HER

### 2.2 Methodology

- 2.2.1 A programme of 150 evaluation trenches measuring up to 50m by 2m were targeted on the archaeological areas identified in the previous geophysical survey (Pre-Construct Geophysics 2013: Figure 2). A series of 10 potential areas of archaeology were identified in the survey including a square enclosure (1 and 2), potential round house/barrow (3), enclosure ditches (5), ditches (4 and 7) and pits clusters (6, 8, 9 and 10). The remaining trenches made up the remaining 3% sample of the proposed development area.
- 2.2.2 The trenches were excavated using a tracked machine fitted with a flat toothless bucket. Machining continued in spits down to the top of the undisturbed natural geology or to the first archaeological horizon. Once archaeological deposits had been exposed, further excavation proceeded by hand.
- 2.2.3 A sample of each feature was excavated in each trench as outlined within the project WSI (OA 2018). Sufficient excavation was undertaken in each trench to resolve the principle aims of the evaluation. Where an exceptional number of archaeological deposits were uncovered, a sample excavation was undertaken in order to be minimally intrusive.

## 3 RESULTS

### 3.1 Introduction and presentation of results

- 3.1.1 The results of the evaluation are presented below with a stratigraphic description of the trenches that contained archaeological remains. The full details of all trenches with dimensions and depths of all deposits can be found in Appendix A. Finds data and spot dates are tabulated in Appendix B.
- 3.1.2 Context numbers reflect the trench numbers unless otherwise stated (e.g. pit 102 is a feature within Trench 1, while ditch 304 is a feature within Trench 3).

### 3.2 General soils and ground conditions

- 3.2.1 The soil sequence in all trenches was fairly uniform, and consisted of a homogenous sandy ploughsoil. The natural geology varied across site from a sandy clay containing limestone to silty sand on the lower parts of the site (Field 4). The natural geology was overlain by an alluvial deposit in Trench 63 which was not seen in other trenches. There was an undulating layer of subsoil across the site which varied in depth and presence from field to field, which in turn was overlain by the ploughsoil. Field 3 consisted largely of modern made-ground relating to excavation of the gas pipeline and culvert that cut across site on a N-S alignment.
- 3.2.2 Ground conditions throughout the evaluation were generally good, and the trenches remained dry throughout. Archaeological features, where present, were easy to identify against the underlying natural geology.

### 3.3 General distribution of archaeological deposits

- 3.3.1 Of the 150 trenches planned, ten were targeted on geophysical anomalies and the distribution of archaeological features was as predicted from the geophysics (Pre-Construct Geophysics 2013). Whilst some of the more promising features were confirmed as archaeological, other less well-defined features proved to be natural or result from modern disturbance.

### 3.4 Field 1

- 3.4.1 Field 1 contained two area of archaeological features which had been identified in the east of the field by the geophysics (Trenches 8, 15, 21 and 23). Away from these areas the trenches were largely devoid of archaeology with the exception of modern field boundary ditches in Trenches 9 and 25.

#### *Prehistoric enclosure (Trenches 15, 21 and 23)*

- 3.4.2 Trenches 15, 21 and 23 were designed to investigate the square enclosure ditch that was seen on the geophysical survey (Fig. 4).
- 3.4.3 Trench 15 (Fig. 5; Plates 1 and 2) contained a NW-SE aligned ditch [1507] measuring 2.35m wide by 0.58m deep that was re-cut on its northern edge by a smaller NW-SE ditch [1511] which measured 1.24m wide by 0.28m deep. Ditch 1507 was filled with a natural silty clay fill which produced a small amount of mid Bronze Age pottery. An internal ditch [1505], which measured 0.42m wide by 0.22m deep, was excavated. This

contained a single natural clayey silt fill and produced 10 sherds of Bronze Age pottery. Ditch 1505 truncated an undated pit that was filled with a single naturally silted fill.

- 3.4.4 Trench 21 (Fig. 6) contained a single N-S aligned ditch [2104] which formed the eastern side of the enclosure ditch. The ditch contained two naturally silted fills and was partly cut through the natural limestone. Fills 2102 and 2104 both produced a small amount of animal bone.
- 3.4.5 Trench 23 (Fig. 7) contained the N-S aligned western side of the enclosure [2313]. The ditch measured 1.64m wide by 0.54m deep and contained four fills. The fills were probably the result of natural silting and produced a small amount of animal bone.
- 3.4.6 The rest of the trenches in Field 1 were empty with the exception of Trenches 9 and 25 which contained a modern N-S aligned ditch and Trench 52 which contained a single undated feature [5203] which measured 0.22m by 0.19m and was 0.12m deep.
- 3.4.7 Trench 1 was not excavated as it was positioned to north of the fuel pipeline and was inaccessible.

### ***Ring gully within Trench 8 (Fig 8; Plates 3 and 4)***

- 3.4.8 Trench 8 was placed to investigate a circular enclosure with a central feature interpreted as a potential prehistoric round barrow (Pre-Construct Geophysics 2013). It was moved from its original NW-SE position to a NE-SW alignment and shortened to approximately 36m to avoid a mature tree, with an approximately 12m long NW-SE trench extension which was excavated to find the return of the ditch.
- 3.4.9 The main enclosure ditch [802], measuring 0.55m wide by 0.49m deep, was identified on a N-S alignment. It contained a single fill (803) which produced a small quantity of medieval pottery (Fig. 9). This in turn had been truncated by ditch 806, which measured 1.05m wide by 0.44m deep. Ditch 806 also lay on a N-S alignment, and also produced medieval pottery and a small quantity of iron nails. These ditches both exited the trench on the NW edge before re-entering the trench further up and terminating further to the NE. Ditch 808 was the terminus of ditch 802, and ditch 810 was the terminus of ditch 806.
- 3.4.10 A potential internal feature was identified within the ring ditch. The feature was not excavated during the evaluation but appeared in plan to represent two gullies possibly forming a cross. Although it cannot be said with absolute certainty, these features are believed to represent the foundations of windmill structure.

## **3.5 Field 2**

- 3.5.1 Field 2 contained one main area of archaeology, centred on the enclosure in Trenches 57 and 66 (Fig. 10; Plate 5).
- 3.5.2 Trench 57 (Fig. 11) contained three ditches. Ditch 5706 measured 0.55m wide and 0.44m deep and formed part of the enclosure upon which the trench was targeted. It contained one naturally formed clay fill and contained no finds. The ditch was cut by an internal ditch [5704] which measured 0.4m wide and 0.18m deep and also contained no finds. Ditch 5709 measured 0.9m wide by 0.44m deep and is a continuation of the enclosure ditch (Plate 6).

- 3.5.3 The north end of Trench 57 contained a 0.98m wide, 0.19m deep ditch [5711] with a single, naturally silted fill. It produced no dating evidence.
- 3.5.4 Trench 66 (Fig. 12; Plate 7) contained four ditches. Ditch 6603 measured 1.3m wide by 0.2m deep and was dug into the limestone bedrock. It contained one naturally derived silty fill but contained no dating evidence. The ditch cut an earlier N-S aligned gully [6605] which measured 0.40m wide and 0.10m deep and again contained no dating evidence.
- 3.5.5 Ditch 6612 measured 1.08m wide and 0.7m deep and contained two fills (Plate 8). Fill 6610 appears to have been the result of deliberate backfilling once the ditch had gone out of use whilst fill 6611 was a naturally silted deposit. No dating evidence was found in either fill.
- 3.5.6 Ditch 6615 was largely truncated by a modern land drain and what remained measured 0.86m wide by 0.28m deep. No dating evidence was found in the surviving part of the ditch. Ditch 6613 measured 0.74m wide by 0.24m deep and appeared to be a terminating internal enclosure feature. It contained one naturally silted fill but no dating evidence.
- 3.5.7 Ditch 6617 measured 1.6m wide and was excavated to a depth of 0.96m before space constraints and the water table prevented further excavation (Plate 9). It contained three fills, of which the bottom fill (6620) produced a single sherd of Bronze Age pottery.
- 3.5.8 The remaining trenches in the field were largely devoid of archaeology. Trench 78 was targeted on an area of geophysics that was thought to have been a pit cluster. Excavation, however, revealed a modern ditch or road, probably related to the wartime RAF Balderton. A modern ditch [5502], measuring 1.28m wide by 0.35m deep, was dug in Trench 55 but produced no finds. Trench 34 produced a small, undated pit [3403] which measured 0.62m wide by 0.20m deep. Trenches 102 and 118 contained a modern field boundary related to RAF Balderton which measured up to 2.55m wide and 0.28m deep. The trenches to the east of the gas pipeline (Trenches 90, 101, 113, 124, 141 and 149) were excavated in an area which appears to have previously been levelled and then re-instated. They contained uniform layers of redeposited clay and buried topsoil, probably from the installation of the gas pipeline that bisects site.
- 3.5.9 A small ditch and a possible posthole were also identified within Trench 79. The ditch was 0.66m wide and 0.25m deep. It contained a small quantity of animal bone and mid Bronze Age pottery. Part of the trench had been disturbed and truncated by activity associated with the RAF base.
- 3.5.10 Trench 80 was not excavated as it was bounded by the gas pipeline to the West, the train line to the North, and the ditch/culvert to the south and east. Trench 136 was not excavated as it was positioned underneath overhead lines and due to space constraints could not be relocated.

### 3.6 Field 3

- 3.6.1 A total of 11 trenches were excavated in Field 3, with trench 136 being inaccessible because of its proximity to power lines. The area covered by all of the trenches appears

to have been levelled and reinstated when the pipeline and ditch/culvert were dug. The trenches all revealed a sequence that consisted of the underlying natural overlain by a redeposited clay which was in turn overlain by the present ploughsoil. In some trenches, a buried topsoil, similar to that seen in the east of Field 2 was noted.

- 3.6.2 The only exception was the south-western end of Trench 146 which was dug through ploughsoil onto natural and revealed a single Bronze Age cremation burial, in a pit measuring 0.22m by 0.20m wide (Fig. 13; Plate 10). The cremation was recorded, covered and left *in-situ* for future mitigation works.

### 3.7 Field 4

- 3.7.1 Field 4 was largely devoid of archaeology, with the exception of a small number of trenches which had contained isolated, largely undated features. Trenches 94, 119 and 120 contained ditches related to the 18-20<sup>th</sup> century field boundaries that were cut across the area: in Trench 94, ditch 9403 measured 1.10m wide by 0.29m deep; in Trench 119, ditch 11902 measured 0.44m wide by 0.16m deep; and in Trench 120, ditch 12003 measured 0.93m wide by 0.31m deep.

- 3.7.2 Ditches 11902 and 12003 appear to be part of the same field boundary and were filled with a greyish brown clayey sand that produced no dating evidence. Ditch 9403 was filled with a dark grey brown silty clay and produced no dating evidence.

- 3.7.3 An area of iron-panning that was a result of prolonged waterlogging was investigated in Trench 97. Trench 72 contained a single posthole [7202]. Trench 43 contained a tree-throw hole [4302], and Trench 116 contained a ditch [11603], measuring 0.70m wide by 0.24m deep, which truncated an earlier pit [11605].

- 3.7.4 Trenches 63 and 72 were excavated around a public footpath and as a result were split into two smaller trenches on either side of the pathway.

- 3.7.5 Trench 133 was targeted on an area identified by the geophysical results as likely to contain features but no archaeology was found.

- 3.7.6 Trenches 95, 108, 123, 137 were not dug due to their proximity to a badger set and a water pipeline.

### 3.8 Field 5

- 3.8.1 Trenches 71 and 76 were the only trenches in Field 5 which contained features. Due to recent water pipe works, Trenches 26, 31, 51 and 77 were moved to accommodate the boundary of site.

- 3.8.2 Trench 71 contained a NE-SW aligned modern ditch [7102] measuring 1.30m wide by 0.36m deep. It contained two fills: a naturally accumulated basal fill (7104) and a main fill (7103) which derived from silting from the surrounding area. The ditch is likely to relate to 20<sup>th</sup>-century field boundaries.

- 3.8.3 Trench 76 contained two postholes [7602 and [7604]. There are both thought to be modern and were filled with a dark, blackish brown silty clay derived from the surrounding landscape.

- 3.8.4 No dating evidence was recovered from Field 5.

## 3.9 Finds

### *Prehistoric pottery by Lisa Brown*

- 3.9.1 The evaluation produced 28 sherds of prehistoric pottery weighing 201g from six contexts. The preservation of the material varied but it was generally only moderately abraded. The assemblage may be entirely middle Bronze Age in date, and the only diagnostic example is certainly of this period, but a burnished flat base in glauconitic sandy fabric from ditch 1507 could also date to the Iron Age.
- 3.9.2 The majority of the Bronze Age assemblage consisted of predominantly shell-tempered wares. Other lightly sanded fabrics also contained abundant coarse fossil shell. A probable Deverel-Rimbury Barrel Urn was identified in fill 1506 of ditch 1505, from the square enclosure in Field 1.
- 3.9.3 Two body sherds were recovered from an urned cremation burial within Trench 146, one of which has residues of cremated bone and ash adhering to the inner surface. The form is uncertain, but the wall thickness is only about 10mm, and so it was not necessarily a very large vessel.
- 3.9.4 Four body sherds from a single vessel were also recovered from fill 6620 of ditch 6617, within Trench 66, associated with the small enclosure in Field 2.
- 3.9.5 Three sherds of Bronze Age pottery were also recovered from fill 7907 of ditch 7906, in Trench 79.

### *Medieval or later pottery by Paul Blinkhorn*

- 3.9.6 The medieval or later pottery assemblage comprised 41 sherds with a total weight of 812g. Most of the assemblage consisted of fairly large sherds, although some of the medieval material was abraded, but this appears to be due to the deposition conditions rather than to any redeposition or transportation.
- 3.9.7 The largest medieval assemblage was recovered from Trench 8 and was associated with the potential windmill mound gully (fills 803 and 811). The vast majority of the assemblage consisted of Nottingham green glaze jugs, dating from the 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> centuries. Seven sherds of Potterhanworth Wares were also recovered from the ditch.
- 3.9.8 A small assemblage Sandy-Shelly Wares (10g) from the base of the ditch fills were initially interpreted in the field as being Bronze Age, but in fact consist of no- local wares dating to 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> century.
- 3.9.9 Seven sherd of early 13<sup>th</sup> century pottery were recovered from the ploughsoil in Trench 107, but were not associated with any features. A few fragments of 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> century glazed bowls were also recovered from the ploughsoil in Trenches 36, 79 and 105.

### *Animal bone by Martyn Allen*

- 3.9.10 The evaluation produced 203 animal bone specimens from 14 contexts. The preservation of the material was variable and there was some evidence of weathering on the surface of bones in some contexts.

- 3.9.11 Overall, the faunal assemblage from the prehistoric square enclosure was dominated by cattle, sheep/goat and horse bones, while pig, dog and red deer bones were also present. Evidence for hunting was indicated by the recovery of red deer femur and metatarsal bones from context 2312 and a radius from context 1509.
- 3.9.12 Dog bones consisted of axis and mandible specimens from context 1509 (possibly associated with the red deer bones) and a poorly preserved tibia from context 6618. The mandible showed signs of infection on the medial side of the bone, posterior to the tooth row. Other signs of dog activity at the site were observed in gnawing marks on several cattle and sheep/goat bones. This suggests that some of the material may have been exposed on middens before being buried, which may also explain the levels of weathering seen on some bones.
- 3.9.13 A notable aspect of the assemblage from the potential windmill mound was the recovery of two partial goose skeletons that appear to have been deposited together in the same feature.

#### ***Ceramic Building Material by Cynthia Pool***

- 3.9.14 A small quantity of ceramic building material (CBM) amounting to four fragments weighing 417g was recovered from four contexts in four trenches. It comprised two brick fragments, probably both solid unfrogged bricks, stock moulded and made in a red firing fairly coarse sandy clay fabric. Most of the assemblage is 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> century, but the remains from Trench 8 might date to the 15<sup>th</sup> century. Context 803 produced a small (28g) fragment of medieval ridge-tile in an orange sandy fabric with a brownish-green glaze on one surface.

#### ***Worked Stone by Ruth Shaffey***

- 3.9.15 A single piece of lias limestone was recovered from context 811, the potential windmill mound. This is a roughly rectangular/cuboid block measuring 240 x 170 x 60mm. It lacks tool marks but was presumably used structurally. Lias limestone was the main building stone in Newark Castle so its occurrence in block form here is probably no surprise (Parry and Lott 2017, 10).

#### ***Metal finds by Ian Scott***

- 3.9.16 Twenty-four iron objects were recovered during the evaluation. They include 12 nails and 8 nails stem fragments from context 803 within Trench 8. The other finds include the rod tang and blade fragment from a probable knife (No. 6, context 3800) and possible small chisel (No. 4, context 2503).

#### ***Marine shell by Geradine Grann***

- 3.9.17 Two small sized oyster (*Ostrea edulis* L.) right valves, in good condition, were recovered from ditch fill 803 which has been dated to medieval period.

#### ***Worked flint by Tom Lawrence***

- 3.9.18 A single struck flint was recovered from pit 11605. It was possibly residual and is of limited archaeological value.

### 3.10 Environmental samples

- 3.10.1 Four samples were taken across the evaluation to assess the palaeoenvironmental potential of the site. The samples were taken from the range of dated features targeted on the main areas of archaeological activity. The full environmental report can be found in Appendix C; a brief summary is presented below.
- 3.10.2 Sample 1 was taken through the potential medieval windmill gully (ditch fill 803). While the charred remains were fairly fragmented this does not appear to be as a result of poor preservational conditions on site. The cereal remains are indicative of a mixed crop regime of wheat (*Triticum* sp.), and legumes with the possibility of either oat (*Avena* sp.) or rye (*Secale cereale*) as an additional crop, although the poor condition of the majority of the grain makes it impossible to accurately quantify the types. The medieval date and lack of glume wheat chaff suggests that the wheat type is bread wheat (*Triticum aestivum*) which was commonly cultivated during the medieval period. Few seeds are present from uncultivated plants.
- 3.10.3 The prehistoric enclosure ditch was sampled (Sample 2) within Trench 21. This sample only produced modern roots with a few unidentifiable fragments of charred cereal grains and charcoal. The remains of land snails were also found to be preserved within the sample and may provide further evidence of environmental conditions within the enclosure.
- 3.10.4 Unfortunately, samples 3 and 4, that were taken through the enclosure ditches in Trenches 46, 49 and 66, did not produce any significant charred remains. Again snail shells were preserved, along with modern roots.

## 4 DISCUSSION

### 4.1 Reliability of field investigation

- 4.1.1 The trenches provided a good sample of the site area and were located so as to maximise the potential for exposing archaeological features. The ground and site conditions were generally good throughout the course of the evaluation and the machining was carried out cleanly providing good visibility of features and deposits in the trenches.
- 4.1.2 The evaluation demonstrated the presence of archaeological remains associated with prehistoric and medieval activity across the site. As such, the results of the evaluation are considered to be a true reflection of the archaeological potential of site. The evaluation generally confirmed the reliability of the geophysical survey and confirmed the presence of areas of containing either archaeological activity or natural/modern features.

### 4.2 Interpretation

- 4.2.1 The evaluation trenching has identified archaeological activity across the proposed development area that was initially identified in the geophysical survey. Archaeological features were identified in Fields 1 and 2 in the form of a potential windmill mound (Field 1) and two prehistoric enclosures in Fields 1 and 2. A small area of Bronze Age archaeology was found in the form of an urned Bronze Age cremation in the southern limit of Field 3.
- 4.2.2 A small number of other features were uncovered across the site. These appear to be related to either RAF Balderton (Plates 11 and 12), which was in existence between 1941-1957, or historical field boundaries.

### 4.3 Significance

- 4.3.1 The evaluation successfully supported the results of the geophysical survey. The work identified three main areas of prehistoric activity and one area of medieval activity.
- 4.3.2 The eastern part of Field 1 contained two areas of archaeological activity in the form of a Bronze Age square enclosure and a medieval windmill mound. The mound can be dated to the 14<sup>th</sup> century and, whilst no dating was recovered from the enclosure ditch, the internal features contained 10 sherds of Bronze Age pottery.
- 4.3.3 Field 2 revealed a rectangular enclosure, as identified by the geophysics, which produced a small amount of Bronze Age pottery. The enclosure contained a number of internal ditches of which one can be dated to the Bronze Age.
- 4.3.4 The southern area of Field 3 which contained the cremation burial is potentially related to more widespread Bronze Age activity to the south. Geophysical surveys of the area to the South of Fernwood have revealed an extensive prehistoric settlement and field system which points towards the existence of a more archaeologically significant area in that area.
- 4.3.5 The results are significant as little Bronze Age archaeology has been found in the area surrounding Fernwood. A Bronze Age field system has been identified at Elton, 10

miles to the south and cremation cemeteries have been found at Hoveringham (20 miles to the west) and Long Bennington (4 miles to the south). (<http://archaeologydataservice.ac.uk/researchframeworks/eastmidlands/wiki/Eastmid4>). With this in mind, the presence of the surviving archaeology on site suggests a wider use of the landscape in the middle Bronze Age than had previously been suspected.

- 4.3.6 A number of other trenches across the site contained archaeology in the form of field boundaries and natural features but these were largely undated and as such cannot be reliably related to the prehistoric or medieval archaeology.
- 4.3.7 Based on the results of the evaluation, three main areas of further archaeological investigation are proposed around the windmill mound and square enclosure in Field 1, the enclosure in Field 2 and around the cremation burial at the southern limit of Field 3 (Fig. 14).

## APPENDIX A TRENCH DESCRIPTIONS AND CONTEXT INVENTORY

Trench 1		
<b>General description</b>	<b>Orientation</b>	-
Trench not excavated because of access issues with the fuel pipe.	<b>Length (m)</b>	-
	<b>Width (m)</b>	-
	<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	-

Trench 2						
<b>General description</b>				<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW	
Trench contains one N-S aligned modern ditch. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.				<b>Length (m)</b>	50	
				<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85	
				<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.36	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
200	Layer	-	0.38	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
201	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange sandy silt	-	-
202	Cut	0.90	0.28	Ditch, linear N-S aligned, flat base, moderate sides	-	-
203	Fill	0.90	0.28	Ditch, loose dark blackish brown silty sand, moderate small stones inclusions	-	-

Trench 3						
<b>General description</b>				<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.				<b>Length (m)</b>	50	
				<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85	
				<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.32	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
300	Layer	-	0.31	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
301	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange sandy silt	-	-

Trench 4						
<b>General description</b>				<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW	
Trench contains one SW-NE aligned modern ditch. Stratigraphy consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.				<b>Length (m)</b>	50	
				<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85	
				<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.35	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
400	Layer	-	0.36	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-

401	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange sandy silt	-	-
402	Cut	0.81	0.36	Ditch, linear SW-NE aligned, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
403	Fill	0.81	0.36	Ditch, loose dark blackish brown silty sand, moderate small pebbles inclusions	-	-

Trench 5						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.66
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
500	Layer	-	0.32	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
501	Layer	-	0.35	Subsoil, mid orange brown silty sand	-	-
502	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange sandy silt	-	-

Trench 6						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	N-S
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.41
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
600	Layer	-	0.39	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
601	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange sandy silt	-	-

Trench 7						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.52
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
700	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
701	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange sandy silt	-	-
702	Layer	-	0.29	Subsoil	-	-

Trench 8						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench contained a Bronze Age ring ditch, exiting trench in northern baulk and re-entering it approximately 5m to the east,					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85

where it appears to terminate. It was subsequently re-cut by a curvilinear medieval ditch. An approximately 10m long NW-SE strip was pulled to the SE of the trench (in T- shape), where an unexcavated ditch was observed. A furrow was also observed. Stratigraphy consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.36
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b> Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
800	Layer	-	0.36	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
801	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange with grey and black inclusions sandy clay	-	-
802	Cut	0.55	0.49	Ditch, curvilinear, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
803	Fill	0.55	0.49	Ditch, firm mid greyish brown silty clay/sand	Pottery, animal bone, metal	Bronze Age
804	Cut	-	-	Furrow	-	-
805	Fill	-	-	Furrow	-	-
806	Cut	1.05	0.44	Ditch, curvilinear, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
807	Fill	1.05	0.44	Ditch, firm dark greyish brown silty clay/sand	Pottery, animal bone, metal	Medieval
808	Cut	-	0.56	Ditch, curvilinear, steep sides, concave base	-	-
809	Fill	-	0.56	Ditch, soft mid greyish brown sandy clay	-	-
810	Cut	-	0.24	Ditch, curvilinear, shallow sides, flat base	-	-
811	Fill	-	0.24	Ditch, firm dark greyish brown silty clay	Pottery, stone, metal	Medieval

<b>Trench 9</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench contained a modern N-S aligned ditch. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy gravels with gravelly clay patches .					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.60
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b> Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
900	Layer	-	0.38	Topsoil, dark grey brown sandy clay	-	-
901	Layer	-	0.28	Subsoil, brown clayey sand	-	-
902	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow sandy gravels with grey brown gravelly clay patches		
903	Cut	1.30	0.80	Ditch, sub-linear N-S aligned, steep sides, concave base	-	-
904	Fill	1.30	0.80	Ditch, loose dark brown/black silty sandy clay, <0.05% small stones inclusions	-	-

Trench 10						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.35
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
1000	Layer	-	0.33	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
1001	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange clayey sand	-	-

Trench 11						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of significant archaeology. A furrow was observed. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty sand.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.35
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
1100	Layer	-	0.36	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
1101	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange with limestone inclusions	-	-
1102	Cut	-	-	Furrow	-	-
1103	Fill	-	-	Furrow	-	-

Trench 12						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.29
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
1200	Layer	-	0.27	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
1201	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange sandy clay	-	-

Trench 13						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of significant archaeology. Two furrows were observed. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.43
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
1300	Layer	-	0.31	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
1301	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange sandy silt	-	-

1302	Layer	-	0.15	Subsoil, mid orange brown sandy silt	-	-
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Trench 14						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.29
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
1400	Layer	-	0.36	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
1401	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow sandy clay with limestone inclusions	-	-

Trench 15						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	N-S
Trench contained two furrows, a NW-SE Bronze Age enclosure ditch (forming a square enclosure with ditches seen in TR 21 and 23) with a later NW-SE aligned re-cut, a small curvilinear Bronze Age ditch truncating a pit and a potentially modern NE-SW aligned ditch. Stratigraphy consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.46
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
1500	Layer	-	0.32	Topsoil, dark grey brown sandy clay	-	-
1501	Layer	-	0.26	Subsoil, brown grey silty clay with infrequent stones inclusions	-	-
1502	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow sandy clay with frequent gravels/limestone and large light grey clay patches	-	-
1503	Cut	1.30	0.28	Pit, sub-oval, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
1504	Fill	1.30	0.28	Pit, soft light/mid brown sandy clay	-	-
1505	Cut	0.42	0.22	Ditch, curvilinear, moderate/steep sides, concave base	-	-
1506	Fill	0.42	0.22	Ditch, soft dark grey brown sandy clay	Pottery	Bronze Age
1507	Cut	2.35	0.58	Ditch, sub-linear, NW-SE aligned, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
1508	Fill	1.54	0.07	Ditch, soft light/mid grey brown sandy clay, manganese flecks inclusions	-	-
1509	Fill	1.90	0.20	Ditch, soft grey brown sandy clay, manganese flecks inclusions	-	-
1510	Fill	1.10	0.28	Ditch, soft dark grey brown sandy clay, <0.01% limestone inclusions	-	-

1511	Cut	1.24	0.28	Ditch re-cut, sub-linear, NW-SE aligned, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
1512	Fill	1.24	0.28	Ditch, soft mid grey brown sandy clay, <0.01% stones inclusions	-	-
1513	Cut	0.60	0.18	Ditch, linear, NE-SW aligned, moderate sides, flat base	-	-
1514	Fill	0.60	0.18	Ditch, loose mid greyish brown silty sand, rare small stones inclusions	-	-

Trench 16						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.40
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
1600	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
1601	Layer	-	0.24	Subsoil, mid orange brown sandy clay, occasional small stones inclusions	-	-
1602	Layer	-	-	Natural, light brown yellow silty sand, frequent stone inclusions	-	-

Trench 17						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.42
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
1700	Layer	-	0.36	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
1701	Layer	-	0.10	Subsoil, mid brown grey silty clay	-	-
1702	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellow brown silty clay with patches of darker orange and lighter grey	-	-

Trench 18						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.29
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
1800	Layer	-	0.29	Topsoil, dark blackish brown humic silty sand	-	-

1801	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange silty clay with limestone	-	-
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Trench 19						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	29.35
					<b>Width (m)</b>	2.20
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.29
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
1900	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy clay	-	-
1901	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish grey sandy clay	-	-

Trench 20						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	E-W
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.35
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
2000	Layer	-	0.34	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
2001	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange sandy clay	-	-

Trench 21						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench contains a N-S aligned ditch, part of the Bronze Age enclosure also seen in TR 15 and 23, truncated by an unexcavated modern furrow or land drain. A second furrow was also observed. Stratigraphy consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.32
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
2100	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark grey brown sandy clay	-	-
2101	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow sandy clay with frequent gravels	-	-
2102	Fill	-	0.36	Ditch, soft greyish black silty clay	Animal bone	-
2103	Fill	-	0.26	Ditch, firm yellowish brown silty clay, rare stone inclusions	Animal bone	-
2104	Cut	-	0.72	Ditch, linear N-S aligned, irregular sides, flat base	-	-

Trench 22						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
					<b>Length (m)</b>	50

Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty sandy clay.					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.22
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
2200	Layer	-	0.21	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
2201	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow sandy clay with limestone	-	-

<b>Trench 23</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench contains three E-W aligned ditches, and a fourth ditch, aligned N-S, part of the Bronze Age enclosure also exposed in trenches 15 and 21. Stratigraphy consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	2
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.29
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
2300	Layer	-	0.26	Topsoil, dark grey brown sandy clay	-	-
2301	Layer	-	0.26	Subsoil, brown grey silty clay with infrequent stones inclusions	-	-
2302	Layer	-	-	Natural, patches of eroded limestone and light brown orange sandy clay	-	-
2303	Fill	1.16	0.20	Ditch, firm very light yellow grey silty clay, occasional small rounded stones inclusions	-	-
2304	Cut	1.16	0.20	Ditch, linear, E-W aligned, shallow to moderate sides, sub-flat base	-	-
2305	Cut	0.72	0.20	Ditch, linear, E-W aligned, shallow to moderate sides, concave base	-	-
2306	Fill	0.72	0.20	Ditch, fairly compact mid brownish grey sandy clay, rare sub-rounded stone inclusions	-	-
2307	Cut	1.50	0.22	Ditch, linear, E-W aligned, moderate sides, flat base	-	-
2308	Fill	1.50	0.22	Ditch, compact, mid to dark brownish grey sandy clay, 15% small to medium sub-rounded and sub-angular stones inclusions	-	-
2309	Fill	0.72	0.34	Ditch, firm light grey orange slightly sandy clay, occasional small angular limestone inclusions	Animal bone	-
2310	Fill	0.96	0.42	Ditch, firm light yellow brown silty clay, occasional small stone inclusions	-	-
2311	Fill	0.46	0.38	Ditch, firm light orange brown silty clay, occasional large limestone inclusions	Animal bone	-

2312	Fill	0.90	0.12	Ditch, soft, patchy mid orange grey slightly silty clay, very occasional small stone inclusions	Animal bone	-
2313	Cut	1.64	0.54	Ditch, linear, N-S aligned, moderate to steep sides, sub-flat base	-	-

Trench 24						
General description				Orientation	NE-SW	
Trench devoid of significant archaeology. A modern tree throw was observed. Stratigraphy consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.80	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.41	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
2400	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
2401	Layer	-	0.15	Subsoil, mid brownish grey silty clay	-	-
2402	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellow/orange brown silty clay with patches of light grey clay	-	-

Trench 25						
General description				Orientation	NE-SW	
Trench contained a modern N-S aligned ditch. Stratigraphy consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	2.20	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.35	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
2500	Layer	-	0.38	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty clay	-	-
2501	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid greyish yellow/orange silty clay	-	-
2502	Cut	0.46	0.22	Ditch, linear, N-S aligned, steep sides, flat base	-	-
2503	Fill	0.46	0.22	Ditch, soft dark blackish brown silty clay, frequent small stone inclusions	Metal	-

Trench 26						
General description				Orientation	NE-SW	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.				Length (m)	42	
				Width (m)	1.85	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.27	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
2600	Layer	-	0.27	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-

2601	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange silty clay with black and grey inclusions	-	-
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Trench 27						
General description					Orientation	E-W
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.40
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
2700	Layer	-	0.27	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
2701	Layer	-	0.16	Subsoil, mid brown grey silty clay	-	-
2702	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid to light orange grey silty clay with patches of darker silt and of lighter clay	-	-

Trench 28						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.41
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
2800	Layer	-	0.18	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
2801	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow silty clay with black and grey inclusions	-	-
2802	Layer	-	0.16	Subsoil, mid orange brown silty clay	-	-

Trench 29						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.25
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
2900	Layer	-	0.27	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
2901	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange silty clay with black and grey inclusions	-	-

Trench 30						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85

					Avg. depth (m)	0.33
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
3000	Layer	-	0.34	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
3001	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow silty clay with limestone inclusions	-	-

Trench 31						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench contained a NE-SW aligned ditch, possibly modern. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.32
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
3100	Layer	-	0.31	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
3101	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange silty clay with grey and black inclusions	-	-
3102	Cut	1.10	0.22	Ditch, linear, NE-SW aligned, moderate sides, flat base	-	-
3103	Fill	1.10	0.22	Ditch, soft dark blackish grey silty sand	CBM	-

Trench 32						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	2.20
					Avg. depth (m)	0.35
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
3200	Layer	-	0.38	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy clay	-	-
3201	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellowish grey silty clay	-	-

Trench 33						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty sand.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.27
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
3300	Layer	-	0.49	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy clay	-	-
3301	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow silty clay with limestone inclusions	-	-

Trench 34						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench contained one small pit. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty sand.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.26
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
3400	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy clay	-	-
3401	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow silty clay with limestone inclusions	-	-
3402	Cut	0.62 x 0.34	0.20	Pit, irregular/sub-oval, steep north side going shallow to south, slightly concave base	-	-
3403	Fill	0.62 x 0.34	0.20	Pit, soft dark brown black sandy clay, <0.01% small stones	-	-

Trench 35						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.31
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
3500	Layer	-	0.20	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
3501	Layer	-	0.14	Subsoil, mid greyish brown silty clay	-	-
3502	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish orange silty clay with black, brown and limestone inclusions	-	-

Trench 36						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of significant archaeology; one furrow was present. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.26
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
3600	Layer	-	0.26	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty clay	-	-
3601	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow silty clay with limestone inclusions	-	-
3602	Cut	1.20	0.12	Furrow, linear, NE-SW aligned, moderate sides, flat base	-	-
3603	Fill	1.20	0.12	Furrow, soft mid greyish brown silty clay, rare limestone inclusions	-	-

Trench 37						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of significant archaeology. One furrow was present. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of stony silt.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.27
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
3700	Layer	-	0.27	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
3701	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow stony silt with limestone inclusions	-	-
3702	Cut	1.04	0.08	Furrow, linear, NE-SW aligned, shallow sides, flat base	-	-
3703	Fill	1.04	0.08	Furrow, soft mid/light yellowish brown clayey, moderate stone inclusions	-	-

Trench 38						
General description					Orientation	SW-NE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	2.20
					Avg. depth (m)	0.38
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
3800	Layer	-	0.42	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy clay	-	-
3801	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid greyish yellow silty clay	-	-

Trench 39						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench contained a ditch, E-W aligned. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.21
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
3900	Layer	-	0.23	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty clay	-	-
3901	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow silty clay with limestone inclusions	-	-
3902	Cut	0.68	0.15	Ditch, linear, E-W aligned, moderate sides, flat base	-	-
3903	Fill	0.68	0.15	Ditch, friable/soft mid greyish brown silty clay, frequent limestone inclusions	Animal bone	-

Trench 40						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
					Length (m)	50

Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.28
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
4000	Layer	-	0.29	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
4001	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange silty clay with black and grey inclusions	-	-

<b>Trench 41</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.25
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
4100	Layer	-	0.25	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty clay	-	-
4101	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid greyish yellow silty clay	-	-

<b>Trench 42</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	E-W
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.26
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
4200	Layer	-	0.27	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
4201	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange sandy silt, stone inclusions	-	-

<b>Trench 43</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench contained a pit/ tree bole. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.22
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
4300	Layer	-	0.23	Topsoil, dark grey brown sandy clay	-	-
4301	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow sandy clay with frequent limestone and yellow/brown sandy clay	-	-
4302	Cut	1.48	0.13	Pit, sub/semi-circular, shallow sides, flat base	-	-
3403	Fill	1.48	0.13	Pit, soft light brown grey sandy clay	-	-

Trench 44						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	2.20
					Avg. depth (m)	0.32
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
4400	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy clay	-	-
4401	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid greyish yellow silty clay	-	-

Trench 45						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.52
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
4500	Layer	-	0.49	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
4501	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange sandy clay with grey and black inclusions	-	-

Trench 46						
General description					Orientation	SE-NW
Trench contained one N-S aligned ditch, possibly modern. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of limestone bedrock.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	2.20
					Avg. depth (m)	0.45
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
4600	Layer	-	0.20	Topsoil, mid greyish brown clayey silt	-	-
4601	Layer	-	0.30	Subsoil, mid brown silty clay	-	-
4602	-	-	-	VOID	-	-
4603	Layer	-	-	Natural, limestone bedrock	-	-
4604	Fill		0.38	Ditch, firm mid greyish brown clayey silt, gravels, small/medium rounded and sub-angular stones inclusions, 15%	-	-
4605	Cut	0.74	0.38	Ditch, linear, N-S aligned, shallow sides, concave base	-	-

Trench 47						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench contained a E-W aligned ditch and a pit. Stratigraphy consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.32

Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
4700	Layer	-	0.32	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy clay	-	-
4701	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellowish silty clay	-	-
4702	Cut	0.30	0.06	Ditch, linear, E-W aligned, moderate sides, flat/concave base	-	-
4703	Fill	0.30	0.06	Ditch, soft mid yellowish brown silty clay	-	-
4704	Cut	0.80 x 0.25	0.12	Pit, ovoid, irregular sides, concave base	-	-
4705	Fill	0.80 x 0.25	0.12	Pit, firm dark blackish brown silty clay	-	-

**Trench 48**

General description				Orientation	NW-SE	
Trench contained one posthole. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty sand.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.85	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.35	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
4800	Layer	-	0.36	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
4801	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow silty sand	-	-
4802	Cut	0.40 x 0.18	0.12	Posthole, ovoid, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
4803	Fill	0.40 x 0.18	0.12	Posthole, firm dark blackish brown silty clay, rare stones inclusions	-	-

**Trench 49**

General description				Orientation	NW-SE	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.85	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.21	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
4900	Layer	-	0.22	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy clay	-	-
4901	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow silty clay with limestone inclusions	-	-

**Trench 50**

General description				Orientation	NW-SE	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.85	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.29	

Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
5000	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty clay	-	-
5001	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange silty clay with black and grey inclusions	-	-

**Trench 51**

General description				Orientation	NW-SE	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.85	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.25	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
5100	Layer	-	0.27	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy clay	-	-
5101	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid greyish yellow silty clay	-	-

**Trench 52**

General description				Orientation	NE-SW	
Trench contained a posthole. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.80	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.38	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
5200	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark grey brown sandy clay	-	-
5201	Layer	-	0.20	Subsoil, brown sandy clay	-	-
5202	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow sandy clay with gravels and limestone, with patches of orange brown clay	-	-
5203	Cut	0.22 x 0.19	0.11	Posthole, sub-circular, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
5204	Cut	0.22 x 0.19	0.11	Posthole, soft dark grey brown sandy clay, rare charcoal flecks, <0.01% small stones	-	-

**Trench 53**

General description				Orientation	NW-SE	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.80	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.36	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
5300	Layer	-	0.39	Topsoil, dark grey brown sandy clay	-	-

5301	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow sandy clay with frequent limestone and yellow/brown sandy clay	-	-
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Trench 54						
General description					Orientation	N-S
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.28
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
5400	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty clay	-	-
5401	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid greyish yellow silty clay with limestone inclusions	-	-

Trench 55						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench contained a possibly modern posthole and a E-W aligned modern ditch. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.27
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
5500	Layer	-	0.29	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
5501	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow sandy silt with limestone inclusions	-	-
5502	Cut	0.18 x 0.20	0.18	Posthole, sub-circular, moderate/steep sides, flat base	-	-
5503	Fill	0.18 x 0.20	0.18	Posthole, soft grey brown sandy clay	-	-
5504	Cut	1.28	0.35	Ditch, sub-linear, W-E, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
5505	Fill	0.50	0.20	Ditch, soft grey brown sandy clay, <0.05% small stones inclusions	-	-
5506	Fill	0.50	0.34	Ditch, soft mid grey brown silty clay, <0.05% stones/clinker?	-	-
5507	Fill	0.20	0.12	Ditch, soft, off white/yellow sandy clay	-	-
5508	Fill	0.35	0.25	Ditch, soft grey brown sandy clay	-	-

Trench 56						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.41
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date

5600	Layer	-	0.20	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
5601	Layer	-	0.19	Subsoil, dark black brown silty clay	-	-
5602	Layer	-	-	Natural, light grey yellow sandy clay	-	-

**Trench 57**

General description					Orientation	SW-NE
Trench contained a NNE-SSW aligned ditch, possibly part of an enclosure also seen in trench 66, truncated by a shallow E-W aligned ditch. Also present was a slightly curvilinear ditch. Stratigraphy consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay and limestone.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	2.10
					Avg. depth (m)	0.40
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
5700	Layer	-	0.20	Topsoil, dark greyish brown silty clay	-	-
5701	Layer	-	0.14	Subsoil, mottled mid orange brown and light grey silty clay	-	-
5702	Layer	-	-	Natural, patchy light orange brown and light grey silty clay with occasional outcrops of limestone bedrock	-	-
5703	Fill	0.75	0.18	Ditch, firm dark greyish brown silty clay, small and medium angular limestone inclusions	-	-
5704	Cut	0.75	0.18	Ditch, linear, E-W aligned, moderate sides, flat base	-	-
5705	Fill	2.00	0.44	Ditch, firm light to mid grey clay, rare small and medium angular limestone inclusions	-	-
5706	Cut	2.00	0.44	Ditch, linear, NNE-SSW aligned, not fully exposed in this slot, same as 5709	-	-
5707	Fill	>0.80	0.27	Ditch, firm light to mid grey silty clay, 10% small to large angular limestone inclusions	-	-
5708	Fill	0.82	0.18	Ditch, firm light grey clay, 5% small to large limestone inclusions	-	-
5709	Cut	2.00	0.44	Ditch, linear, NNE-SSW aligned, stepped sides, concave base, same as 5706	-	-
5710	Fill	0.98	0.18	Ditch, very firm mid brownish grey mottled with mid orangey brown silty clay, gravels, small rounded and sub-angular stones inclusions, 15%, well sorted	-	-
5711	Cut	0.98	0.18	Ditch, slightly curvilinear, moderate to shallow sides, flat base	-	-

**Trench 58**

<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	N-S
Trench devoid of significant archaeology. One furrow observed. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.31
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
5800	Layer	-	0.34	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
5801	Layer	-	-	Natural, light and mid greyish brown silty clay with limestone inclusions	-	-
5802	Cut	-	-	Furrow	-	-
5803	Fill	-	-	Furrow	-	-

<b>Trench 59</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.27
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
5900	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
5901	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow silty clay with limestone inclusions	-	-

<b>Trench 60</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.30
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
6000	Layer	-	0.32	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy clay	-	-
6001	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid greyish yellow silty clay with limestone inclusions	-	-

<b>Trench 61</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	E-W
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.32
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
6100	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
6101	Layer	-	-	Natural, light grey yellow sandy clay with patches of blue grey clay	-	-

Trench 62						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.29
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
6200	Layer	-	0.33	Topsoil, dark grey brown sandy clay	-	-
6201	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow sandy clay with frequent limestone and yellow brown sandy clay patches	-	-

Trench 63						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and colluvial overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.31
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
6300	Layer	-	0.24	Topsoil, dark grey brown sandy clay	-	-
6301	Layer	-	0.22	Colluvial, dark grey sandy clay, small patch towards SW of trench	-	-
6302	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow sandy clay with frequent limestone and yellow brown sandy clay patches	-	-

Trench 64						
General description					Orientation	E-W
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy/gravelly silt.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.29
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
6400	Layer	-	0.29	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy clay	-	-
6401	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid greyish yellow sandy/gravelly silt with limestone	-	-

Trench 65						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.32
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
6500	Layer	-	0.25	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-

6501	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange sandy clay with black and grey inclusions	-	-
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Trench 66						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench contained a E-W aligned ditch truncating a possible N-S aligned gully; an undetermined feature truncating a N-S aligned ditch (possible enclosure ditch); a N-S aligned terminating ditch; a N-S aligned ditch truncated by a large land drain; a N-S aligned Bronze Age ditch which could be part of an enclosure also seen in trench 57. Stratigraphy consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.50
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
6600	Layer	-	0.20	Topsoil, dark greyish brown silty clay	-	-
6601	Layer	-	0.20	Subsoil, light grey brown silty clay, occasional stone inclusions	-	-
6602	Layer	-	-	Natural, patchy light grey and orange clay with limestone inclusions. Layer of stone approximately 0.20m under subsoil, 0.30m thick	-	-
6603	Cut	1.30	0.20	Ditch, linear, E-W aligned, steep sides, flat base	-	-
6604	Fill	1.30	0.20	Ditch, compact dark bluish grey silty clay, moderate medium and large irregular limestone	Pottery, animal bone	
6605	Cut	>0.30	0.12	Gully, linear, N-S aligned, moderate side, concave base	-	-
6606	Fill	>0.30	0.12	Gully, compact dark bluish grey silty clay, occasional small irregular stones and charcoal inclusions	-	-
6607	Fill	>1.70	0.34	Undetermined feature, firm mid orange grey silty clay, occasional angular limestone and small sandstone inclusions	-	-
6608	Fill	>0.90	0.16	Undetermined feature, malleable/plastic mid brown grey slightly silty clay	-	-
6609	Cut	>1.70 x >0.34	0.34	Undetermined feature, unknown shape, northern side is irregular to vertical, irregular base	-	-
6610	Fill	>0.76	0.28	Ditch, firm mid brown grey silty clay, frequent fairly large angular limestone inclusions	-	-
6611	Fill	>1.12	0.42	Ditch, malleable/plastic light grey orange silty clay, moderate small angular limestone inclusions	-	-

6612	Cut	>1.12	0.70	Ditch, linear, N-S aligned, steep to sub-vertical sides, stepped on east side, concave base	-	-
6613	Cut	0.74	0.24	Ditch, linear, N-S aligned with possible terminus at south end, moderate to steep sides, flat base	-	-
6614	Fill	0.74	0.24	Ditch, fairly compact mid bluish grey sandy clay, 10% small sub-rounded stone inclusions	-	-
6615	Cut	>0.86	>0.52	Ditch, linear, N-S aligned, moderate side base not exposed	-	-
6616	Fill	>0.86	>0.52	Ditch, soft mid bluish grey sandy clay, 10% small sub-rounded stone	-	-
6617	Cut	1.60	>0.96	Ditch, linear, N-S aligned, steep sides, possibly V-shaped (not fully excavated)	-	-
6618	Fill	1.64	0.36	Ditch, compact dark greyish brown silty clay, moderate small and medium irregular stone inclusions	Animal bone	-
6619	Fill	1.26	0.30	Ditch, compact dark bluish grey clay, occasional small and medium irregular stone inclusions, rare large limestone inclusions	-	-
6620	Fill	0.66	>0.35	Ditch, compact mid grey clay, occasional small and medium irregular limestone inclusions	Animal pottery	bone, Bronze Age

Trench 67						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.39
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
6700	Layer	-	0.38	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
6701	Layer	-	-	Natural, light orange yellow clayey sand with patches of blue grey clay	-	-

Trench 68						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.32
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
6800	Layer	-	0.31	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
6801	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow clayey sand	-	-

Trench 69						
General description					Orientation	N-S
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1085
					Avg. depth (m)	0.46
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
6900	Layer	-	0.32	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
6901	Layer	-	0.17	Subsoil, mid orange brown silty clay	-	-
6902	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow sandy silt with limestone inclusions	-	-

Trench 70						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.25
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
7000	Layer	-	0.26	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
7001	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid greyish yellow silty clay with limestone inclusions	-	-

Trench 71						
General description					Orientation	N-S
Trench contained a NE-SW aligned modern ditch. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.30
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
7100	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty clay	-	-
7101	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange silty clay with grey and black inclusions	-	-
7102	Cut	1.30	0.36	Ditch, linear, NE-SW aligned, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
7103	Fill	1.30	0.24	Ditch, firm dark brownish black silty clay, small stones inclusions and orange (redeposited natural) inclusions	-	-
7104	Fill	0.60	0.11	Ditch, firm mid yellowish brown silty clay	-	-

Trench 72						
General description					Orientation	NNW-SSE

Trench contained a posthole. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.30
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
7200	Layer	-	0.27	Topsoil, dark grey brown sandy clay	-	-
7201	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow sandy clay with frequent limestone and yellow brown sandy clay	-	-
7202	Cut	0.39 x 0.26	0.08	Posthole, sub-oval, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
7203	Fill	0.39 x 0.26	0.08	Posthole, soft dark brown grey sandy clay	-	-

<b>Trench 73</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.54
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
7300	Layer	-	0.38	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty clay	-	-
7301	Layer	-	0.16	Subsoil, mid brownish orange sandy clay	-	-
7302	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid greyish yellow silty clay with limestone inclusions	-	-

<b>Trench 74</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.27
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
7400	Layer	-	0.29	Topsoil, dark grey brown sandy clay	-	-
7401	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow sandy clay with frequent limestone and yellow brown sandy clay	-	-

<b>Trench 75</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	E-W
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.31
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>

7500	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
7501	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow sandy silt	-	-

Trench 76						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench contained two postholes. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.28
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
7600	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty clay	-	-
7601	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid greyish yellow silty clay with black inclusions	-	-
7602	Cut	0.56 x 0.22	0.18	Posthole, oval, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
7603	Fill	0.56 x 0.22	0.18	Posthole, medium firm dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
7604	Cut	0.30 x 0.50	0.13	Posthole, oval, moderate to steep sides, concave base		
7605	Fill	0.30 x 0.50	0.13	Posthole, moderately soft dark blackish brown silty clay sand		

Trench 77						
General description					Orientation	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.34
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
7700	Layer	-	0.36	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy clay	-	-
7701	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange silty clay with grey and black inclusions	-	-

Trench 78						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. A tarmac road is present across the trench. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.38
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
7800	Layer	-	0.38	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
7801	Layer	-	-	Natural, light grey yellow sandy clay	-	-

Trench 79						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench contained a posthole and a N-S aligned ditch, possibly a drainage ditch. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.35
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
7900	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty clay	-	-
7901	Layer	-	0.06	Subsoil, mid orange brown silty clay	-	-
7902	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid greyish yellow silty clay with limestone inclusions	-	-
7903	Cut	0.10 x 0.19	0.14	Posthole, oval, steep sides, concave base	-	-
7904	Fill	0.10 x 0.19	0.10	Posthole, firm mid orange brown silty clay	-	-
7905	Fill	0.10 x 0.19	0.04	Posthole, firm dark blackish brown silty clay, rare charcoal inclusions	-	-
7906	Cut	0.66	0.25	Ditch, linear, N-S aligned, moderate sides, flat base	-	-
7907	Fill	0.66	0.25	Ditch, firm mid blackish brown silty clay, moderate unsorted stones and charcoal flecks inclusions	Pottery, animal bone	Mid Bronze Age

Trench 80		
General description		Orientation
Trench inaccessible due to gas pipeline, to the West, Train tracks to the North and 2 modern ditches		Length (m)
		Width (m)
		Avg. depth (m)

Trench 81						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.35
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
8100	Layer	-	0.37	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
8101	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow sandy clay, angular limestone inclusions	-	-

Trench 82		
General description		Orientation
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.		Length (m)
		Width (m)
		Avg. depth (m)

Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
8200	Layer	-	0.18	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
8201	Layer	-	0.16	Subsoil, mid orange brown silty sand	-	-
8202	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid greyish yellow silty clay with orange inclusions	-	-

**Trench 83**

General description				Orientation	NW-SE	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.80	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.51	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
8300	Layer	-	0.41	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
8301	Layer	-	0.17	Subsoil, dark black grey silty clay	-	-
8302	Layer	-	-	Natural, light grey yellow sandy clay	-	-

**Trench 84**

General description				Orientation	NE-SW	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.85	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.27	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
8400	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
8401	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow sandy silt	-	-

**Trench 85**

General description				Orientation	N-S	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.85	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.28	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
8500	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
8501	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow sandy silt	-	-

**Trench 86**

General description				Orientation	NE-SW	
				Length (m)	50	

Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.32
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
8600	Layer	-	0.35	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
8601	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange clayey sand with grey and black sand inclusions	-	-

Trench 87		
<b>General description</b>		<b>Orientation</b>
Trench not excavated due to its proximity less than 30m from badger setts		<b>Length (m)</b>
		<b>Width (m)</b>
		<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>

Trench 88						
<b>General description</b>		<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE			
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.		<b>Length (m)</b>	50			
		<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80			
		<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.50			
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
8800	Layer	-	0.31	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
8801	Layer	-	0.22	Subsoil, light blue grey clay	-	-
8802	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow sandy clay	-	-

Trench 89						
<b>General description</b>		<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE			
Trench contained a modern E-W aligned ditch (drain), a furrow and a N-S aligned paleo-channel. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.		<b>Length (m)</b>	50			
		<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80			
		<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.42			
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
8900	Layer	-	0.24	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
8901	Layer	-	0.22	Subsoil, mid orange brown silty clay	-	-
8902	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellowish grey sandy clay with limestone	-	-
8903	Cut			Modern ditch	-	-
8904	Fill			Modern ditch		
8905	Cut			Furrow		
8906	Fill			Furrow		

Trench 90			
<b>General description</b>		<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
		<b>Length (m)</b>	50

Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and modern made ground overlying natural geology of sand.					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.67
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
9000	Layer	-	0.38	Topsoil, dark brown sandy clay	-	-
9001	Layer	-	0.20	Made ground, light/mid grey clay with mottling throughout	-	-
9002	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow/light brown sand with light grey clay patches	-	-

<b>Trench 91</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.30
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
9100	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark grey brown clayey silt	-	-
9101	Layer	-	0.12	Subsoil, light orange brown sandy clay	-	-
9102	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellow orange silty clay	-	-

<b>Trench 92</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.33
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
9200	Layer	-	0.35	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
9201	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid brownish yellow sandy silt	-	-

<b>Trench 93</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	E-W
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil, subsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of silty sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.49
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
9300	Layer	-	0.15	Topsoil dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
9301	Layer	-	0.10	Subsoil mid greyish brown sandy silt	-	-
9302	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish brown clayey sand	-	-

9303	Layer	-	0.10	Layer, light greyish brown silty clay	-	-
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Trench 94						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench contained a NW-SE aligned ditch. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.25
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
9400	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
9401	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish brown clayey sand	-	-
9402	Cut	1.10	0.29	Ditch, linear/irregular, NW-SE aligned, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
9403	Fill	1.10	0.29	Ditch, soft mid brownish orange silty clay	-	-
9404	Fill	0.87	0.18	Ditch, soft dark brownish orange silty clay	-	-

Trench 95						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	
Trench not excavated due to its proximity less than 30m from badger setts					<b>Length (m)</b>	
					<b>Width (m)</b>	
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	

Trench 96						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.48
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
9600	Layer	-		Topsoil, dark grey brown sandy clay	-	-
9601	Layer	-		Layer, light mid grey silty clay	-	-
9602	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow brown sand with grey clay patches	-	-

Trench 97						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.32
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
9700	Layer	-	0.12	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-

9701	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid brownish yellow clayey sand	-	-
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Trench 98						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	N-S
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.48
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
9800	Layer	-	0.32	Topsoil, dark grey brown clayey silt	-	-
9801	Layer	-	0.18	Subsoil, brown sandy clay	-	-
9802	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellow orange silty clay	-	-

Trench 99						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of clayey silt.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.26
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
9900	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark grey brown sandy silt	-	-
9901	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellowish orange clayey silt with moderate stones	-	-

Trench 100						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.50
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
10000	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
10001	Layer	-	0.20	Layer, light blue grey clay	-	-
10002	Layer	-	-	Natural, light orange yellow sandy clay	-	-

Trench 101						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and a layer of made ground overlying natural geology of sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.60
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
10100	Layer	-	0.36	Topsoil, dark brown sandy clay	-	-

10101	Layer	-	0.30	Made ground, light grey clay with mottling throughout	-	-
10102	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/light brown yellow sand with light brown yellow clay patches	-	-

Trench 102						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench contained a N-S aligned ditch, possibly a modern field boundary. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.42
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
10200	Layer	-	0.42	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
10201	-	-	-	VOID	-	-
10202	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow sandy clay with patches of grey blue clay	-	-
10203	Cut	>2.55	0.28	Ditch, linear, N-S aligned, moderate sides, flat base	-	-
10204	Fill	0.30	0.16	Ditch, fairly compact mid bluish grey sandy clay	-	-
10205	Fill	>2.36	0.28	Ditch, fairly compact mid orangey bluish brown sandy clay, 10 to 15% small to medium sub angular stones	-	-

Trench 103						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.30
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
10300	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
10301	Layer	-	0.16	Subsoil, mid orange brown silty clay	-	-
10302	Layer	-	-	Natural, light grey yellow sandy clay with moderate limestone inclusions	-	-

Trench 104						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty sand.					Length (m)	520
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.35
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
10400	Layer	-	0.36	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-

10401	Layer	-	-	Natural, light grey yellow silty clay, occasional angular stone inclusions	-	-
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Trench 105						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench contained a NW-SE aligned ditch, possibly a boundary ditch. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.40
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
10500	Layer	-	0.23	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sand	-	-
10501	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow sandy silt	-	-
10502	Layer	-	0.18	Subsoil, mid greyish brown silty clay	-	-
10503	Cut	0.93	0.25	Ditch, irregular linear, moderate sides, flat base	-	-
10504	Fill	0.93	0.25	Ditch, soft blackish brown with orange inclusions silty clay	--	

Trench 106						
General description					Orientation	N-S
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and two layers overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.51
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
10600	Layer	-	0.22	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
10601	Layer	-	0.21	Layer, mid greyish yellow clay, limestone inclusions	-	-
10602	Layer	-	0.12	Alluvial layer, mid blackish brown silty clay with sand	-	-
10603	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid brownish orange clayey sand	-	-

Trench 107						
General description					Orientation	N-S
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.34
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
10700	Layer	-	0.31	Topsoil, mid blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
10701	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish orange clayey sand	-	-

Trench 108						
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<b>General description</b>	<b>Orientation</b>	
Trench positioned over an existing water pipe/bund. Unexcavated	<b>Length (m)</b>	
	<b>Width (m)</b>	
	<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	

Trench 109						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.57
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
10900	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
10901	Layer	-	0.25	Layer, light-mid grey silty clay	-	-
10902	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow brown sand with light grey clay patches	-	-

Trench 110						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	2.50
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.67
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
11000	Layer	-	0.60	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
11001	Layer	-	0.22	Layer, mid greyish blue clay	-	-
11002	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow sand with grey clay patches	-	-

Trench 111						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	N-S
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of clayey silt.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.52
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
11100	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
11101	Layer	-	0.25	Subsoil, mid orange brown silty clay	-	-
11102	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellow brown clayey silt with 50% limestone cornbrash	-	-

Trench 112		
<b>General description</b>		<b>Orientation</b>
		NW-SE
		<b>Length (m)</b>
		50

Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.46
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
11200	Layer	-	0.23	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
11201	Layer	-	0.27	Subsoil, light blue grey clay	-	-
11202	Layer	-	-	Natural, light orange yellow sandy clay	-	-

<b>Trench 113</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	E-W
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil, buried topsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	2.50
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.75
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
11300	Layer	-	0.25	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
11301	Layer	-	0.24	Buried topsoil, dark blackish brown silty clay	-	-
11302	Layer	-	0.30	Layer, light blue grey clay	-	-
11303	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellow sand	-	-

<b>Trench 114</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench contained two N-S aligned ditches; one of them is a possible enclosure or boundary ditch. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.47
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
11400	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
11401	Layer	-	0.20	Subsoil, light brown grey	-	-
11402	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid yellow orange sandy clay with patches of grey clay	-	-
11403	Fill	0.64	0.14	Ditch, firm/malleable patchy light orange grey silty clay	-	-
11404	Cut	0.64	0.14	Ditch, linear, N-S aligned, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
11405	Cut	1.10	0.48	Ditch, linear, N-S aligned, steep sides, concave base	-	-
11406	Fill	1.10	0.48	Ditch, compact mid grey silty clay, occasional small and medium irregular limestone inclusions	-	-

<b>Trench 115</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
					<b>Length (m)</b>	50

Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.30
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
11500	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark grey brown clayey silt	-	-
11501	Layer	-	0.26	Subsoil, mid orange brown silty clay with frequent stones	-	-
11502	Layer	-	-	Natural, light whitish yellow silty clay with patches of grey sandy silt and regular large angular stones	-	-

<b>Trench 116</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	E-W
Trench contained a pit/tree throw truncated by a WNW-ESE aligned ditch. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.39
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
11600	Layer	-	0.25	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
11601	Layer	-	0.08	Subsoil, mid greyish brown silty clay	-	-
11602	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish orange clayey sand	-	-
11603	Cut	0.70	0.24	Ditch, sublinear, WNW-ESE aligned, shallow to moderate sides, concave base	-	-
11604	Fill	0.70	0.24	Ditch, soft light brown grey sandy clay, 0.01% stone inclusions	-	-
11605	Cut	1.30	0.40	Pit, sub-circular, moderate sides, concave base	-	-
11606	Fill	1.30	0.40	Pit, soft light yellow grey sandy clay, few small stones inclusions	Flint	

<b>Trench 117</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.27
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
11700	Layer	-	0.28	Topsoil, dark grey brown sandy silt	-	-
11701	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellow orange silty clay with patches of greyish brown sand and angular stones	-	-

<b>Trench 118</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	E-W

Trench contained a NE-SW aligned ditch, a possible modern field boundary. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.43
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
11800	Layer	-	0.43	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
11801	Layer	-	-	Natural, light orange yellow sandy clay with blue grey clay patches	-	-
11802	Ditch	>2.13	0.14	Ditch, linear, NE-SW aligned, moderate sides, flat base	-	-
11803	Fill	>1.84	0.12	Ditch, fairly compact mid bluish grey sandy clay	-	-
11804	Fill	0.42	0.14	Ditch, fairly compact mid orange bluish brown sandy clay, 10-15% small to medium sub-angular stone inclusions	-	-

Trench 119						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	N-S
Trench contained a NW-SE aligned ditch. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.32
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
11900	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
11901	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish orange clayey sand	-	-
11902	Cut	0.88	0.16	Ditch, linear, NW-SE aligned, moderate sides, flat base	-	-
11903	Fill	0.88	0.16	Ditch, soft mid greyish brown clayey sand with orange flecks	-	-

Trench 120						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench contained a N-S aligned ditch, possible for drainage. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.41
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
12000	Layer	-	0.15	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
12001	Layer	-	0.13	Subsoil, mid greyish brown silty clay	-	-
12002	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish orange clayey sand with rare charcoal flecks	-	-
12003	Cut	0.93	0.31	Ditch, linear, N-S aligned, moderate sides, flat/concave base	-	-

12004	Fill	0.93	0.31	Ditch, soft mid greyish brown clayey sand with orange flecks	-	-
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Trench 121						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	E-W
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.31
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
12100	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, mid-dark greyish brown sandy silt	-	-
12101	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish orange clayey sand with manganese inclusions	-	-

Trench 122						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.59
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
12200	Layer	-	0.25	Topsoil, dark brown silty clay	-	-
12201	Layer	-	0.22	Layer, mid-light grey clay with mottling	-	-
12202	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/brown yellow sand with light grey clay patches	-	-

Trench 123						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	
Trench positioned over an existing water pipe/bund. Unexcavated					<b>Length (m)</b>	
					<b>Width (m)</b>	
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	

Trench 124						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil, subsoil and two alluvial layers overlying natural geology of sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	2.50
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	1
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
12400	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
12401	Layer	-	0.20	Subsoil, dark brown, silty clay	-	-
12402	Layer	-	0.30	Alluvial layer, light blue clay	-	-
12403	Layer	-	0.20	Alluvial layer, dark blue clay	-	-
12404	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellow sand	-	-

Trench 125						
General description					Orientation	N-S
Trench devoid of significant archaeology, one furrow was observed. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.85
					Avg. depth (m)	0.30
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
12500	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark blackish brown silty sandy clay	-	-
12501	Layer	-	-	Natural, mid orangey yellow clayey sand	-	-
12502	Cut	0.87	0.13	Furrow, linear, NE-SW aligned, shallow sides, flat base	-	-
12503	Fill	0.87	0.13	Furrow, soft light greyish brown clayey sand	-	-

Trench 126						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.48
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
12600	Layer	-	0.29	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
12601	Layer	-	0.25	Subsoil, mid orange brown silty clay	-	-
12602	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow sandy silt with 40% limestone cornbrash	-	-

Trench 127						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.35
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
12700	Layer	-	0.37	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
12701	Layer	-	-	Natural, light grey yellow sandy clay with blue grey clay patches	-	-

Trench 128						
General description					Orientation	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of sand.					Length (m)	50
					Width (m)	1.80
					Avg. depth (m)	0.69
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date

12800	Layer	-	0.34	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
12801	Layer	-	0.25	Layer, light mid grey clay with mottling	-	-
12802	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow sand with grey clay patches/mottling	-	-

**Trench 129**

<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.39
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
12900	Layer	-	0.41	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
12901	Layer	-	-	Natural, light orange yellow sandy clay with grey blue clay patches	-	-

**Trench 130**

<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	E-W
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	2.50
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.55
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
13000	Layer	-	0.36	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
13001	Layer	-	0.35	Layer, light yellowish clay	-	-
13002	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow sand with light grey clay patches	-	-

**Trench 131**

<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.47
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
13100	Layer	-	0.21	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
13101	Layer	-	0.27	Subsoil, mid orange brown silty clay	-	-
13102	Layer	-	-	Natural, grey yellow patchy silty clay	-	-

**Trench 132**

<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
					<b>Length (m)</b>	50

Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.21
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
13200	Layer	-	0.20	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
13201	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellow orange silty clay, patches of cornbrash	-	-

<b>Trench 133</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	N-S
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.30
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
13300	Layer	-	0.22	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
13301	Layer	-	0.11	Subsoil, mid greyish brown with orange inclusions sandy silt with rare charcoal flecks	-	-
13302	Layer	-	-	Natural, light orange brown very sandy silt	-	-

<b>Trench 134</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	N-S
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.65
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
13400	Layer	-	0.26	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
13401	Layer	-	0.30	Layer, light-mid grey clay with mottling	-	-
13402	Layer	-	-	Natural, off white/yellow sand with light grey clay patches	-	-

<b>Trench 135</b>						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.32
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
13500	Layer	-	0.20	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
13501	Layer	-	0.14	Subsoil, dark greyish brown silty clay	-	-
13502	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish orange clayey sand	-	-

Trench 136		
<b>General description</b>	<b>Orientation</b>	
Trench positioned underneath power lines. Unexcavated	<b>Length (m)</b>	
	<b>Width (m)</b>	
	<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	

Trench 137		
<b>General description</b>	<b>Orientation</b>	
Trench positioned over an existing water pipe/bund. Unexcavated	<b>Length (m)</b>	
	<b>Width (m)</b>	
	<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	

Trench 138						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology, the area appears to have been levelled up and built up. Stratigraphy consists of topsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of sandy clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	2.50
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.71
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
13800	Layer	-	0.36	Topsoil, dark brown clay silt	-	-
13801	Layer	-	0.15	Layer, dark bluish grey clay	-	-
13802	Layer	-	-	Natural, yellow sandy clay with patches of blue grey clay	-	-

Trench 139						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench contained a NW-SE aligned modern ditch. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.32
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
13900	Layer	-	0.21	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
13901	Layer	-	0.10	Subsoil, dark greyish brown very sandy silt	-	-
13902	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish orange clayey sand	-	-
13903	Cut	0.75	0.33	Ditch, irregular linear, NW-SE aligned, moderate sides, irregular base	-	-
13904	Fill	0.75	0.33	Ditch, soft dark brownish black clayey sand	-	-

Trench 140		
<b>General description</b>	<b>Orientation</b>	E-W
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil, subsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of sand.	<b>Length (m)</b>	50
	<b>Width (m)</b>	2.50
	<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.75

Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
14000	Layer	-	0.24	Topsoil, mid brown clayey silt	-	-
14001	Layer	-	0.20	Subsoil, dark brown silty clay	-	-
14002	layer	-	0.31	Layer, yellowish grey clay		
14003	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellow sand with blue clay patches	-	-

Trench 141						
General description				Orientation	NW-SE	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil, buried topsoil, and a layer overlying natural geology of sandy clay.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.80	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.30	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
14100	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark brown clay silty clay	-	-
14101	Layer	-	0.15	Buried topsoil, dark brown humic silt	-	-
14102	Layer	-	0.20	Layer, light brownish blue clay	-	-
14103	Layer	-	-	Natural, light brown yellow sandy clay with patches of light blue grey clay	-	-

Trench 142						
General description				Orientation	NW-SE	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.80	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.64	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
14200	Layer	-	0.66	Topsoil, dark brown grey silty sand	-	-
14201	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellow orange sandy silt with blue grey clay	-	-

Trench 143						
General description				Orientation	NW-SE	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil overlying natural geology of sandy clay.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.80	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.36	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
14300	Layer	-	0.38	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
14301	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow sandy clay	-	-

Trench 144						
General description				Orientation	NE-SW	

Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.80
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.39
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
14400	Layer	-	0.24	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
14401	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow silty clay	-	-
14402	Layer	-	0.17	Subsoil, mid orange brown silty clay	-	-

Trench 145						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NW-SE
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of clayey sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	1.85
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.29
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
14500	Layer	-	0.20	Topsoil, dark blackish brown sandy silt	-	-
14501	Layer	-	0.09	Subsoil, mid greyish brown silty clay with orange inclusions and rare charcoal flecks	-	-
14502	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish orange clayey sand	-	-

Trench 146						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench contained a cremation, unexcavated. Stratigraphy consists of topsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of silty sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	2.50
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.43
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Width (m)</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Finds</b>	<b>Date</b>
14600	Layer	-		Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
14601	Layer	-		Layer, bluish yellow clay	-	-
14602	Layer	-	-	Natural, yellowish sand with blue patches	-	-
14603	Cut	0.20 x 0.22	-	Cremation, oval, unexcavated.	-	-
14604	Fill		-	Cremation, soft mid brownish grey	Pottery, human cremated bones	-

Trench 147						
<b>General description</b>					<b>Orientation</b>	NE-SW
Trench devoid of archaeology. The south end of the trench is through made ground from a ditch/culvert. Stratigraphy consists of topsoil, subsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of sand.					<b>Length (m)</b>	50
					<b>Width (m)</b>	2.50
					<b>Avg. depth (m)</b>	0.99

Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
14700	Layer	-	0.34	Topsoil, mid greyish brownish silty clay	-	-
14701	Layer	-	0.33	Subsoil, dark brown silty clay	-	-
14702	Layer	-	0.34	Layer, mid greyish blue clay	-	-
14703	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellowish sand	-	-

Trench 148						
General description				Orientation	NE-SW	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of silty clay.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.80	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.53	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
14800	Layer	-	0.32	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
14801	Layer	-	0.21	Subsoil, dark orange brown silty clay	-	-
14802	Layer	-	-	Natural, light yellow orange silty clay	-	-

Trench 149						
General description				Orientation	NE-SW	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil, buried topsoil and a layer overlying natural geology of sandy clay.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	2.00	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.30	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
14900	Layer	-	0.30	Topsoil, dark brown grey silty clay	-	-
14901	Layer	-	0.17	Buried topsoil, very dark brown humic	-	-
14902	Layer	-	0.20	Layer, light brownish blue slightly silty clay	-	-
14903	Layer	-	-	Natural, patchy light grey blue clay and light brown yellow sandy clay	-	-

Trench 150						
General description				Orientation	NE-SW	
Trench devoid of archaeology. Consists of topsoil and subsoil overlying natural geology of sandy silt.				Length (m)	50	
				Width (m)	1.80	
				Avg. depth (m)	0.64	
Context No.	Type	Width (m)	Depth (m)	Description	Finds	Date
15000	Layer	-	0.42	Topsoil, dark grey brown silty clay	-	-
15001	Layer	-	0.25	Subsoil, mid orange brown silty clay	-	-
15002				VOID		

15003	Layer	-	-	Natural, light greyish yellow sandy silt with patches of blue grey clay	-	-
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## APPENDIX B FINDS REPORTS

### B.1 Prehistoric pottery

*By Lisa Brown*

#### *Introduction*

B.1.1 The evaluation produced 28 sherds of prehistoric pottery weighing 201g from six contexts. The sherds within all context groups were conjoining, so that only six vessels are represented. The preservation of the material was variable, but it was generally only moderately abraded. The date of the pottery may be entirely middle Bronze Age, and the only diagnostic example is certainly of this period, but a burnished flat base in glauconitic sandy fabric from ditch 1507 could date to the Iron Age.

#### *Methods*

B.1.2 The fabrics were identified with the aid of a hand lens and binocular microscope at 20x and 10x magnification, and classified using an alpha-numeric dominant inclusion code, further subdivided on the basis of the size and frequency of the inclusions, following the recommended guidelines of the Prehistoric Ceramics Research Group (PCRG 2011; 2016). The pottery was recorded in an Excel spreadsheet by context group. All sherds were counted and weighed. The following characteristics were entered in separate fields where possible: fabric, form, surface treatment, decoration, degree of abrasion, and date. The precision of the dating was dependent on the condition of the sherds and on the presence of diagnostic features. Degrees of abrasion are based on three broad categories: (3) high - surface survival minimum, breaks heavily eroded; (2) moderate - surface somewhat preserved but clearly worn; (1) fresh or slightly abraded.

#### *Fabrics and Forms*

B.1.3 Six fabrics within three ware groups were identified, the sherds from each of the six contexts being of different fabrics.

B.1.4 The lias formations that outcrop a short distance to the east of Newark include fossiliferous limestones that probably provided the fossil shell that occurs in most of the fabrics (English Heritage 2017). These predominantly shell-tempered wares (S group) dominate the assemblage. S1 is a lightly sanded fabric containing abundant coarse fossil shell. A probable Deverel-Rimbury Barrel Urn from fill 1506 of ditch 1505 was produced in this fabric. Fabric S2 is a finer version of S1, incorporating abundant finely crushed fossil shell, and is likely to be of Bronze Age date. Four body sherds from a single vessel in this fabric were recovered from fill 6620 of ditch 6617. Fabric S3 is a fine micaceous sandy fabric with sparse, small inclusions of fossil shell. Three sherds in this fabric were recovered from fill 7907 of ditch 7906.

B.1.5 Fabric QU1 contained sparse fossil shell within a matrix of coarse quartz sand with glauconite. Fragments of a flat base, burnished and well-finished, in this fabric came from ditch 1507 (fill 1509). Although it could possibly belong to one of the finer varieties of middle Bronze Age jars, it has characteristics of Iron Age pottery, so a later date cannot be ruled out. Excavations to the south of the site by Wessex Archaeology

exposed several Iron Age ring ditches (Wessex Archaeology 2015), and so there is a possibility of Iron Age activity on the current site

- B.1.6 Fabric QU2, a very coarse quartz sand fabric with additional inclusions of sub-angular quartzite and red ferrous oxides, is represented by two body sherds from a cremation burial, one of which has residues of cremated bone and ash adhering to the inner surface. The form is uncertain, but the wall thickness is only about 10mm, so the sherds do not necessarily derive from a very large vessel.
- B.1.7 Two conjoining body sherds (13g) from ditch 6603 are in a soapy fabric containing grog inclusions in addition to sparse shell. Although in some regions the use of grog as temper endured into the later prehistoric period, it is more common in the period before the late Bronze Age, and this sherd is probably middle Bronze Age.

### *Summary and recommendations*

- B.1.8 The evaluation produced a small assemblage of prehistoric pottery, and only a single fragment diagnostic of date – the rim of a middle Bronze Age ‘urn’. Most of the pottery is probably middle Bronze Age, which would be consistent with the interpretation of the excavated features - two ditched enclosures and a cremation burial - and with the identification of other Bronze Age activity in the locality. The single possible Iron Age basal fragment is also in keeping with previously identified later prehistoric activity. The range of fabrics is relatively broad for such a small collection of sherds, but all of the raw materials could have been obtained a short distance from the site, suggesting local production.
- B.1.9 There is little additional information that can be gleaned from this small collection.

Context	Nosh	Wt (g)	Fabric/form	date
Ditch 1505 (1506)	9	69	S1 Barrel Urn	Middle Bronze Age
Ditch 1507 (1509)	8	32	QU1 simple base	?Iron Age
Ditch 6603 (6604)	2	13	G1	Middle Bronze Age
Ditch 6617 (6620)	4	13	S2	Middle Bronze Age
Ditch 7906 (7907)	3	46	S3	Middle Bronze Age
Cremation deposit 14603 (14604)	2	28	QU2	Middle Bronze Age
Total	28	201		

**Table 1: Summary of the prehistoric pottery**

## **B.2 Medieval and later pottery**

*By Paul Blinkhorn*

### *Introduction*

B.2.1 The medieval and post-medieval pottery assemblage comprised 41 sherds with a total weight of 812g. The range of fabric types is fairly typical of sites in the region (eg Nailor 2015):

- EMX: Non-local Sandy-Shelly Ware, ?1150-1450. 1 sherd, 10g.
- NOTGL: Nottingham Light-bodied Green-glazed Ware, 1220-1320. 16 sherds, 309g.
- NOTGR: Nottingham Reduced Green-glazed Ware, 1300-1420. 14 sherds, 205g.
- POTT: Potterhanworth Ware, 13th – 15th century. 7 sherds, 208g.
- W46: Black-glazed Earthenware, 1600-1900. 3 sherds, 80g.

B.2.2 The pottery occurrence by number and weight of sherds per context by fabric type is shown in Table 2. Each date should be regarded as a *terminus post quem*. Most of the assemblage consisted of fairly large sherds, and although some of the medieval material was abraded, this appears to be due to the depositional conditions rather than redeposition and transportation.

B.2.3 All the medieval pottery other than the Potterhanworth Ware consisted of fragments of glazed jugs. All the sherds of NOTGL from context 10700 are from the rim area of such a vessel with a wide strap handle. Context 803 also produced a small (weight = 28g) fragment of medieval ridge-tile in an orange sandy fabric with a brownish-green glaze on one surface. The sherds of W46 are all from large, internally-glazed bowls, which is typical of the tradition.

Cntxt	EMX		NOTGL		POTT		NOTGR		W46		Date
	No	Wt	No	Wt	No	Wt	No	Wt	No	Wt	
803			9	172	7	208	12	192			14thC
811							2	13			14thC
3600									1	24	17thC
4900	1	10									M12thC
7900									1	49	18thC
10501									1	7	18thC
10700			7	137							E13thC
Total	1	10	16	309	7	208	14	205	3	80	

Table 2: Pottery occurrence by number and weight (in g) of sherds per context by fabric type.

## B.3 Flint

*By Tom Lawrence*

### *Introduction*

B.3.1 A single struck flint was found from context 11606 in pit 11605. This flint is a mesial flake fragment with spontaneous damage on the distal end. It is of unknown date and was probably residual.

## B.4 Metal Finds

*By Ian Scott*

### *Introduction*

B.4.1 There were 24 metal finds, all of iron. They include 12 nails and 8 nails stem fragments. The other finds include the rod tang and blade fragment from a probable knife (No. 6, context 3800) and possible small chisel (No. 4, context 2503).

B.4.2 None of the finds is closely datable, although all appear to have been hand forged.

**Context 803** (1) Nails. 12 x nails or nail heads and 6 x stem fragments (18 frags). Eight nails with flat heads either circular or sub square, all but one incomplete; three nails with very small heads, one only complete; one nail with a T-head, incomplete; six nail stem fragments. Not measured. Fe.

(2) Plate or sheet, very small fragment. Not measured. Fe.

**Context 811** (3) Nail, with flat near circular head, incomplete. Not measured. Fe.

**Context 2503** (4) Possible small cold chisel, with slightly domed and battered sub-rectangular head and rectangular section stem, incomplete. L extant: 78mm; Head: 21 x 18mm. Fe.

(5) Nail, 2 x small refitting stem fragments forming the tip of a nail or pin of thin lentoidal section. Not measured. Fe.

**Context 3800** (6) Possible Knife, with rod or whittle tang. Very little of the blade survives although the tang appears almost complete. L extant: 63mm. Fe.

## APPENDIX C ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTS

### C.1 Environmental Samples

*By Sharon Cook*

#### **Introduction**

C.1.1 Four bulk samples were taken from the evaluation, primarily for the retrieval of charred plant remains (CPR) and artefacts.

#### **Method**

C.1.2 The CPR bulk samples were processed at Oxford Archaeology using a modified Siraf-type water flotation machine. The flots were collected in a 250µm mesh and the heavy residues in a 500µm mesh and were dried. The residue fractions were sorted by eye while the flot material was sorted using a low power (x10) binocular microscope to extract cereal grains and chaff, smaller seeds and other quantifiable remains.

C.1.3 Identifications were carried out using standard morphological criteria for the cereals (Jacomet 2006), identification of wild plant remains is with reference to the Digital Seed Atlas of the Netherlands (Cappers *et al.* 2006) and by comparison with modern reference material. Classification and nomenclature of plant material follows Stace (2010). Where fewer than twenty-five individuals are present for any material type, these have been fully quantified.

#### **Results**

C.1.4 Table 3 lists the charred taxa identified from each CPR sample.

C.1.5 Sample 1 which is from ditch fill 803, dated to the 14<sup>th</sup> century AD, is the only sample with an appreciable amount of charred material; the other two samples comprise mostly modern roots with only small amounts of charred material in sample 2, which is likely to be Bronze Age, and none in samples 3 or 4. Land snails are common in all samples from this site.

#### **Discussion**

C.1.6 The material observed in the flot from sample 1 confirms that charred seeds and chaff survive on this site, albeit in variable quantities and in fairly poor condition in the sampled contexts. While the charred remains in sample 1 are fairly fragmented this does not appear to be as a result of poor preservational conditions on site. The cereal remains are indicative of a mixed crop regime of wheat (*Triticum* sp.), and legumes with the possibility of either oat (*Avena* sp.) or rye (*Secale cereale*) as an additional crop, although the poor condition of the majority of grain makes it impossible to accurately quantify the types. The medieval date and lack of glume wheat chaff suggests that the wheat type is bread wheat (*Triticum aestivum*) which was commonly cultivated during the medieval period. Few seeds are present from uncultivated plants.

C.1.7 Sample 3 is likely to be from a waterlogged feature due to the presence of a small quantity of uncharred wood fragments. The seeds are in mixed conditions with those

Sample no.	Context no.	Area/Trench	Sample vol. (L)	Feature /Deposit	Date	Flot vol. (ml)	Charcoal >2mm	Grain	Chaff	Weeds	Molluscs	Other	Notes
1	803	8	40	Fill of ditch [802]	14 <sup>th</sup> C	75	++++	+++		++	+++	++	Abundant fine modern roots. Land snails common with more than one taxa represented. Charcoal is in generally good condition although some external encrustation was noted. Small occasional fragments of <i>Triticum/Hordeum</i> awns. Grain generally in poor condition, in many cases clinkered and vitrified although some smaller grains are in much better condition. Seeds include 2 <i>Bromus</i> sp., 8 <i>Avena/Bromus</i> sp., 28 indet cereal grains, 8 probable <i>Triticum</i> sp., 1 <i>Secale cereale</i> . 1 frag of <i>Raphanus raphanistrum</i> capsule, 10 <i>Vicia/Lathyrus</i> , 23 frags of >4mm legumes (pea/bean), 1 <i>Hyoscyamus niger</i> , 4 various grass seeds, 2 <i>Rumex</i> sp., 1 indet seed.
2	2102	21	40	Fill of ditch [2104]	U/D	25		+			+++		Almost entirely fine modern roots. Land snails common with more than one taxa represented including <i>Cecilioides acicula</i> . Charcoal all <2mm. 2 frags of indet cereal grain.
3	4604	46	35	Fill of ditch [4605]	U/D	75					+++		Almost entirely fine modern roots. Small wood fragments common. Very rare small fragments of unidentifiable charred material. Land snails common with more than one taxa represented. Possibly waterlogged seeds: 25+ <i>Sambucus nigra</i> , 11 Chenopods, 7 <i>Salvia verbenaca</i> , 25+ <i>Urtica dioica</i> , 1 <i>Lamium</i> sp. and a number of fragments of large unidentified seeds which may be hawthorn - <i>Crataegus</i> sp.

Key: +=present (up to 5 items), +=frequent (5-25), +++=common (25-100) ++++=abundant (>100)

Table 1: The Charred Plant Material

that are more robust, such as elder (*Sambucus nigra*), and small seeds such as stinging nettle (*Urtica dioica*) in the best condition, although there is a possibility that some or all of this material may be of fairly modern origin.

### **Recommendations**

- C.1.8 In general, if further excavation is carried out it is recommended that sampling should take place, ideally from a range of features across the site. This sampling should be carried out in accordance with the most recent sampling guidelines (eg Oxford Archaeology 2017 and English Heritage 2011). The presence of snails in all of these samples is an indication that conditions are favourable for snail preservation on site, as such it may be useful to consider snail sampling if appropriate in future sampling strategies. In addition, it is likely that some features are waterlogged and this should also be considered in any environmental sampling strategy.
- C.1.9 The flots warrant retention at least until all works on this site are complete, when the relationships of these features are better understood, at which point a firm decision on discard and retention will be more easily made. However, at this stage it is not expected that retention or further work on this material will be required.

## **C.2 Animal Bone**

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### **Introduction**

- C.2.1 The evaluation produced 203 animal bone specimens from 14 contexts. The preservation of the material was variable and there was some evidence of weathering on the surface of bones in certain contexts. This contributed to a degree of modern fragmentation in the assemblage. These extra fragments were not individually counted in most cases. Overall, the faunal assemblage was dominated by cattle, sheep/goat and horse bones, while pig, dog and red deer bones were also present. A notable aspect of the assemblage was the recovery of two partial goose skeletons that appeared to have been deposited together in the same feature.

### **Methods**

- C.2.2 The assemblage was analysed at Oxford Archaeology South using the in-house skeletal reference collection to aid identification. Specimens were recorded using the zones system of Serjeantson (1996). Butchery marks, burning, carnivore gnawing, and pathologies were recorded at a basic level where they were observed. No attempt was made to estimate ageing from dental wear and no measurements were taken.

### **Results**

- C.2.3 Cattle were the most common taxon identified, constituting 35 specimens (Table 4). Cattle remains were recovered from nine contexts and were most numerous in fill 2102. This context contained bones from at least two cattle and included radius bones, metatarsals and two right astragali. Collections of cattle bones were also notable in

- fills 1509, including axis, scapula, humerus, and tibia elements, and 7907, which included astragalus, pelvis and tibia bones.
- C.2.4 The cattle bones were predominantly from skeletally mature animals, as most had undergone epiphyseal fusion. The only unfused bones included a distal metapodial from fill 803 and a distal radius from fill 2102. These came from animals aged less than 30 months and 48 months old respectively (cf. Getty 1975).
- C.2.5 Only one cattle exhibited signs of butchery. A fragment from a radius shaft (fill 2102) showed that it had been axially chopped down the centre of the bone. This was probably carried out using a cleaver to split the bone in order to access the marrow.
- C.2.6 A largely complete cattle metatarsal, also from context 2102, had been burned on the side of the bone at the distal end. It is uncertain whether this was done deliberately, but it did cause some fragmentation to occur.
- C.2.7 Sheep/goat bones were represented by 25 specimens from a range of contexts. The partial remains of a sheep skeleton was found in context 1509 (this was identified based on the proximal end of an ulna, and there is a possibility that the remains were from a dog). These included several well-preserved remains consisting of skull, ulna and rib fragments, and at least 11 vertebrae fragments. If these derived from a single burial, the remains were very disturbed.
- C.2.8 As with cattle, sheep/goat bones tended to be from skeletally mature animals, apart from neonatal humerus and tibia bones found in context 6628. These bones came from an animal that had died during birth or possibly after a couple of weeks.
- C.2.9 A total of 14 horse bones were recovered from the site. These included the fragmented remains of a skull from fill 2103, mostly from broken mandible specimens and loose teeth, though fragments of upper skull were also identified. All the horse bones were from skeletally mature animals, and no signs of butchery, burning or pathology were observed.
- C.2.10 Three pig bones were recovered from the site, including a very large humerus from context 600 (possibly from a wild boar).
- C.2.11 Evidence for hunting was indicated by the recovery of red deer femur and metatarsal bones from context 2312 and a radius from 1509.
- C.2.12 Dog bones consisted of axis and mandible specimens from context 1509 (possibly associated with the red deer bones) and a poorly preserved tibia from 6618. The mandible showed signs of infection on the medial side of the bone, posterior to the tooth row. No evidence was seen within the cavity of the mandible and the infection does not appear to have been tooth-related but rather focussed on the inside of the mouth.
- C.2.13 Other signs of dog activity at the site were observed in gnawing marks on several cattle and sheep/goat bones. This suggests that some of the material may have been exposed on middens before being buried, which may also explain the levels of weathering seen on some bones.
- C.2.14 Bird bones were represented by two partial goose skeletons in context 803, and a long bone shaft from a fairly large species in context 1509. The goose remains were

generally well preserved, suggesting that they had been deposited quite rapidly. Both skeletons were skeletally mature. There was clearly some size difference between the two birds, though it was difficult to attribute all the bones to each animal as the skeletons had become quite mixed. Elements present included coracoids, scapulae, humerus, femur, tibiotarsi, and tarsometatarsi bones, plus several wing and toe phalanges from both birds. There was no signs of butchery or pathology on the skeletons, and neither included medullary bone in the internal cavities of the long bones to attribute sex.

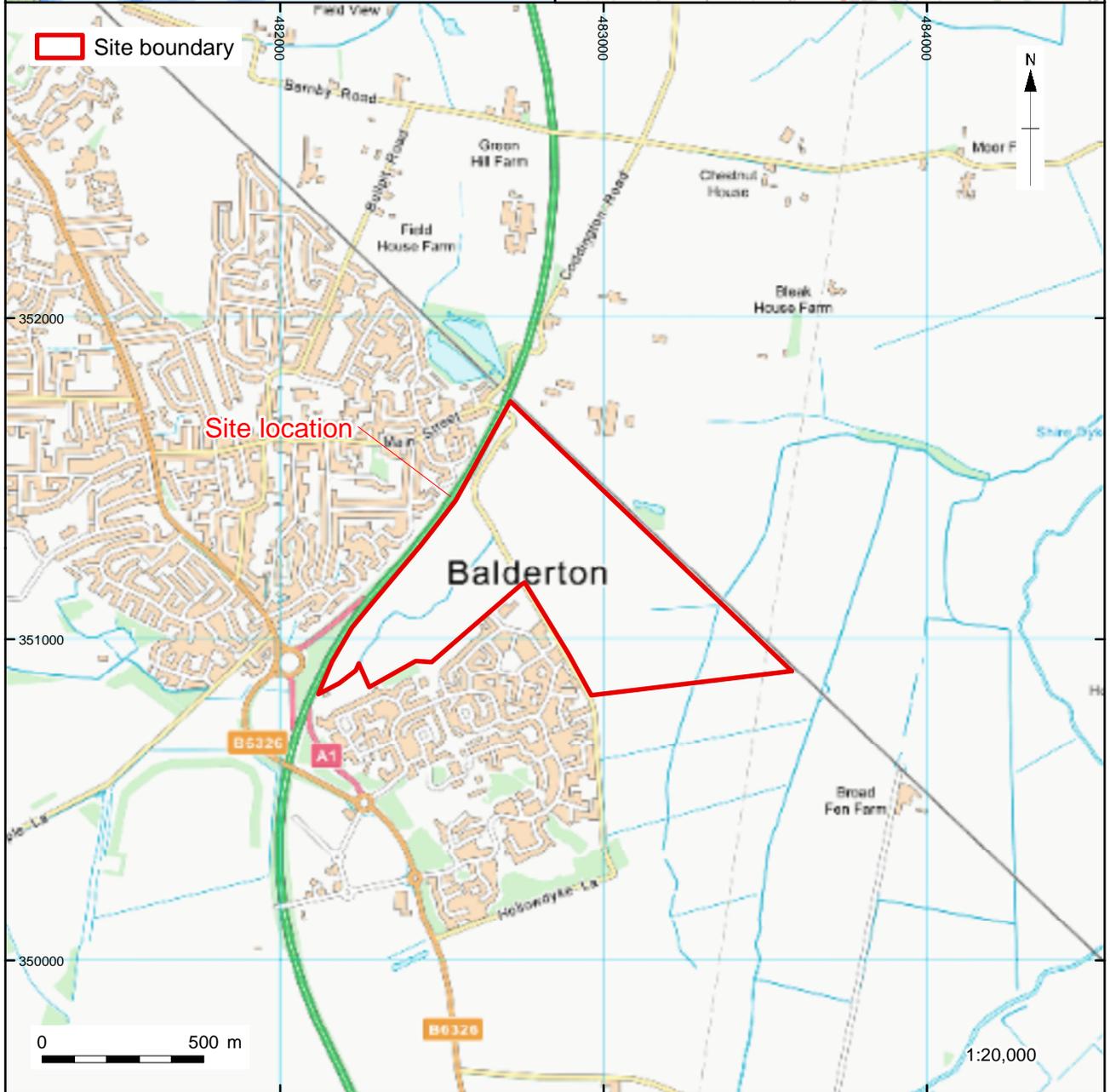
### *Summary and recommendations*

C.2.15 The evaluation has produced a fairly useful assemblage of animal bones from the site, including a range of livestock taxa and evidence for hunting in the form of red deer bones. The goose skeletons are useful indicators for the exploitation of birds at the site. This assemblage should be combined with any additional remains that are excavated from the site in the event of further work being undertaken. Additional data from dental ageing and measurements can still be taken, and the large bird long bone may repay further examination.

### *Tables*

Taxa	600	803	1509	2102	2103	2309	2311	2312	3903	6604	6618	6620	7900	7907	Total
Cattle		4	5	8		2	5			2	1	1		7	35
Horse			2	1	6	2		2			1				14
Sheep/Goat			4*	3	5	2		2	1	4	2	2			25
Pig	1	1												1	3
Red deer			1					2							3
Dog			2								1				3
Goose		2*													2
Bird			1												1
Large mammal	3		7	3		4	2	14		2	1			18	54
Medium mammal			9			1				6	3	1	2		22
Unidentified	3		23		12		3								41
Total	7	7	54	15	23	11	10	20	1	14	9	4	2	26	203

**Table 4: Number of specimens per taxon by context (\*includes associated bone groups)**



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Figure 1: Site location

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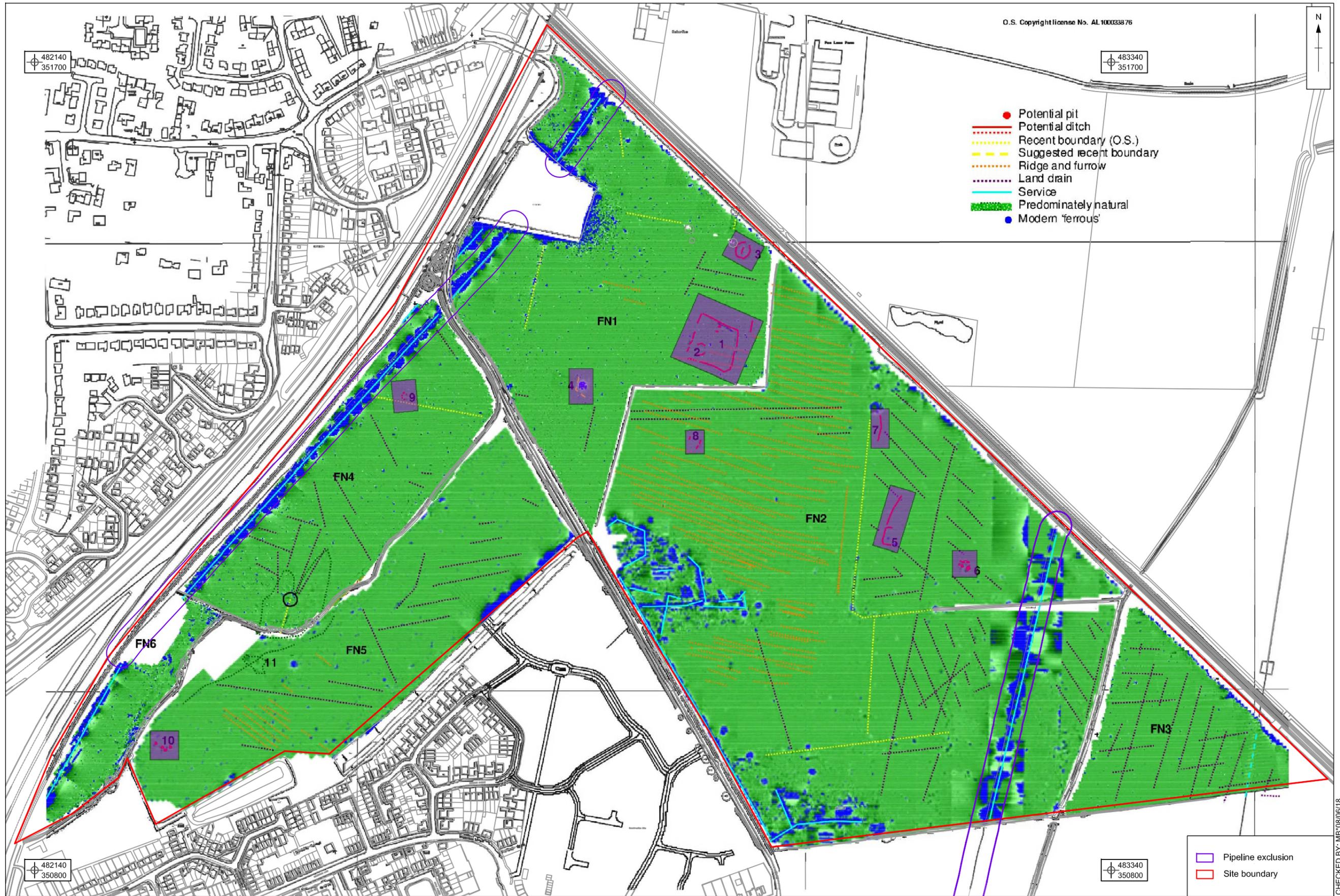


Figure 2: Targeted geophysics map

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Figure 3: Trench location plan with geophysics

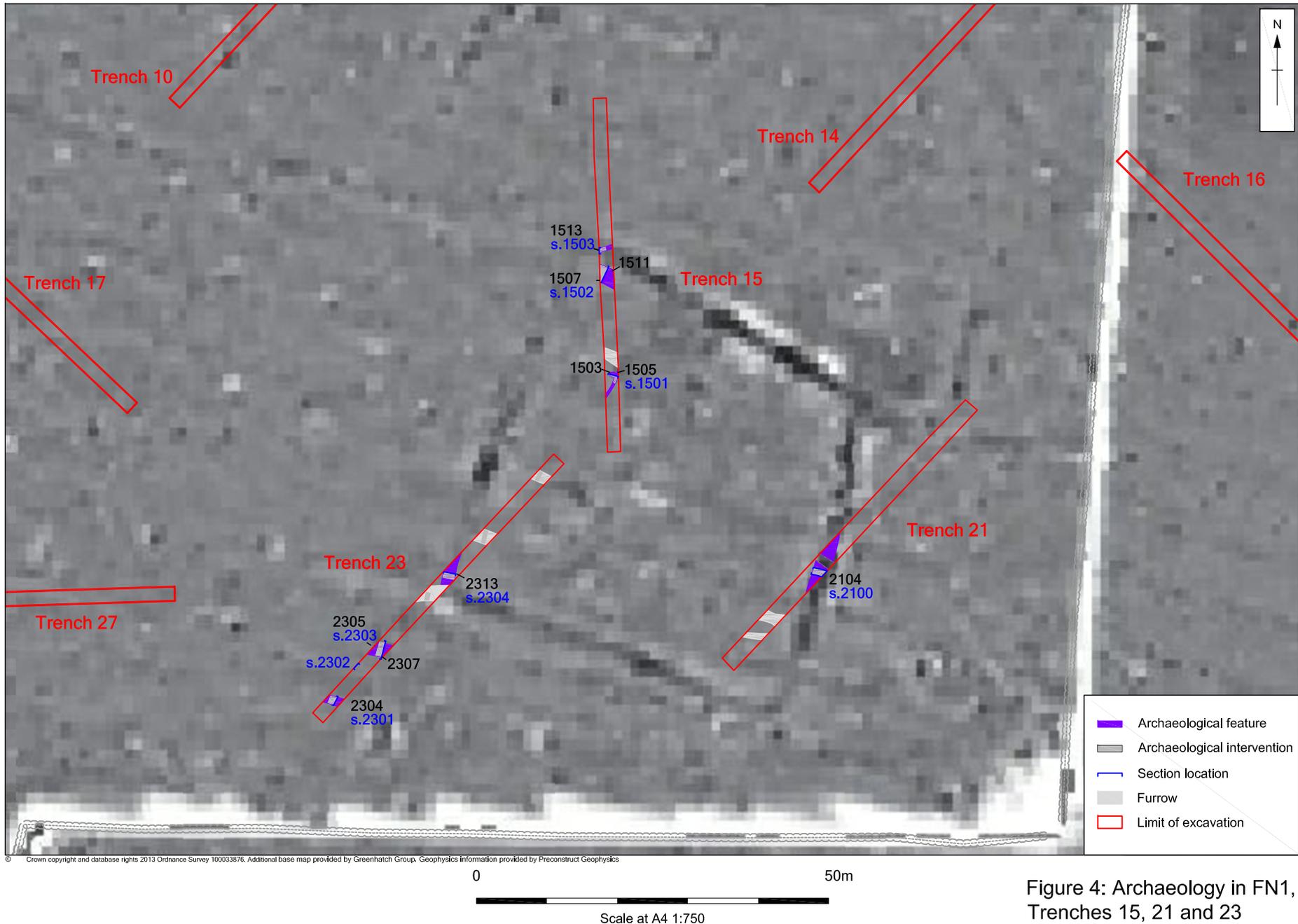
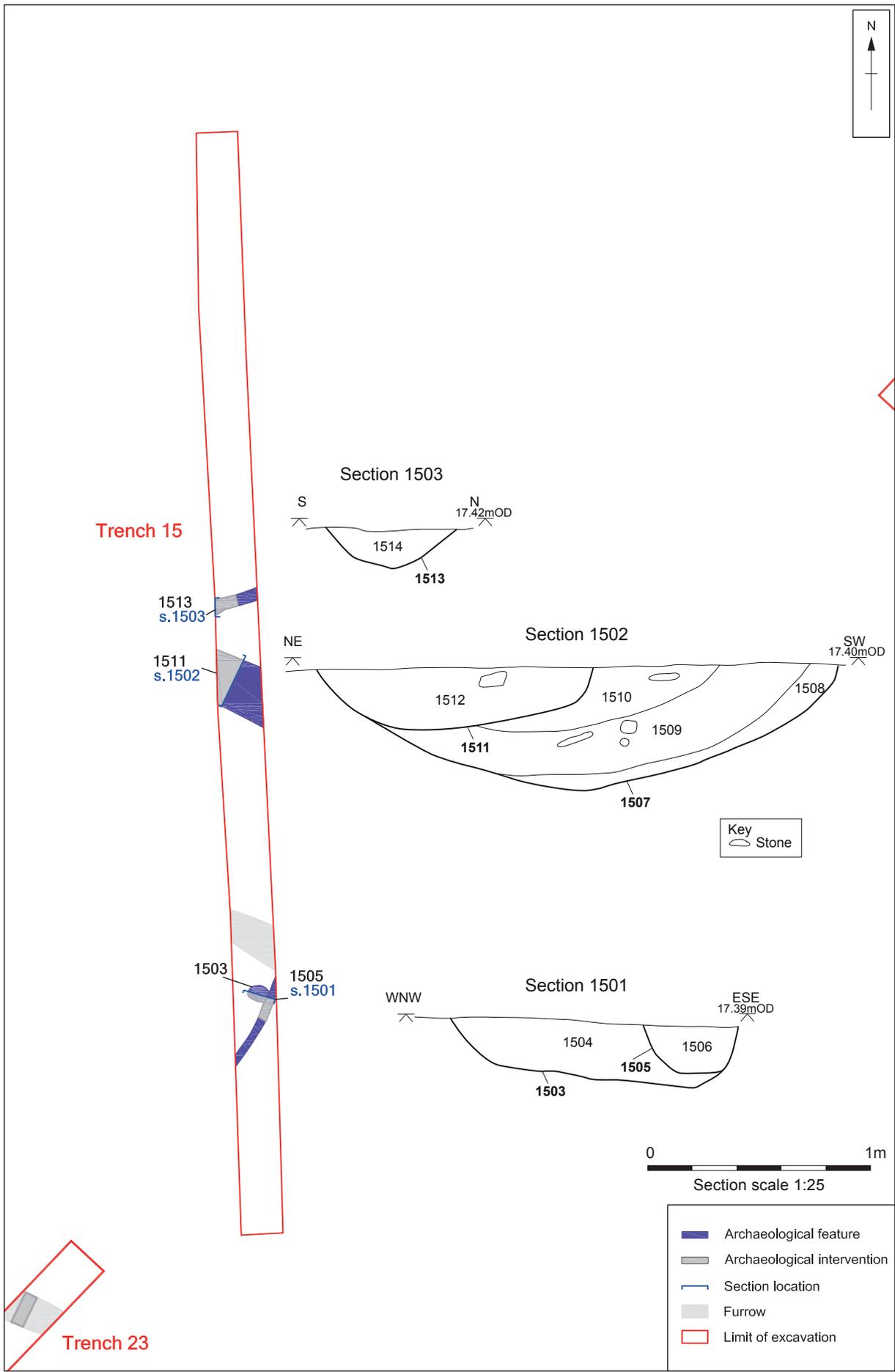


Figure 4: Archaeology in FN1, Trenches 15, 21 and 23

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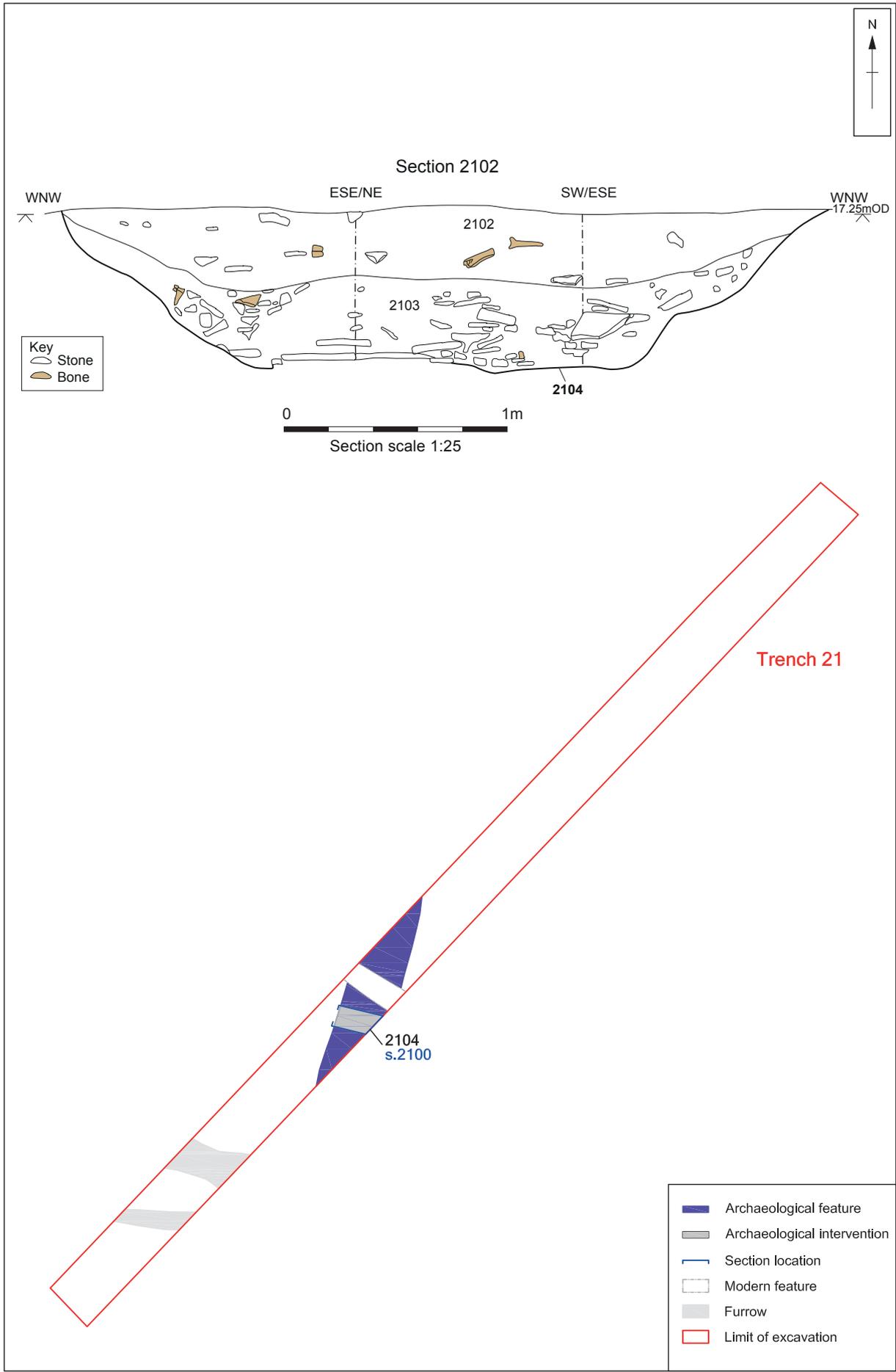
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Figure 5: Trench 15 with sections

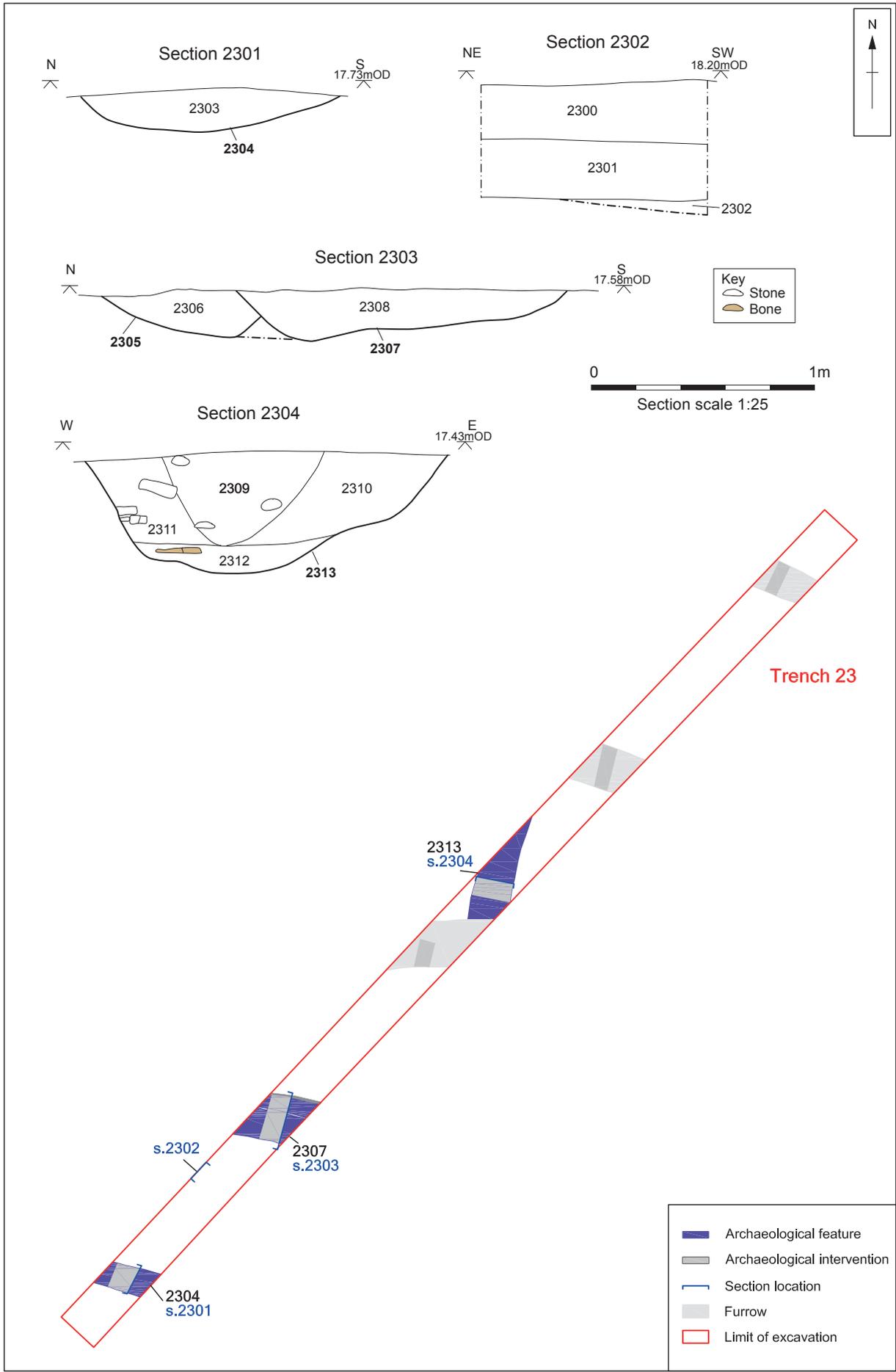
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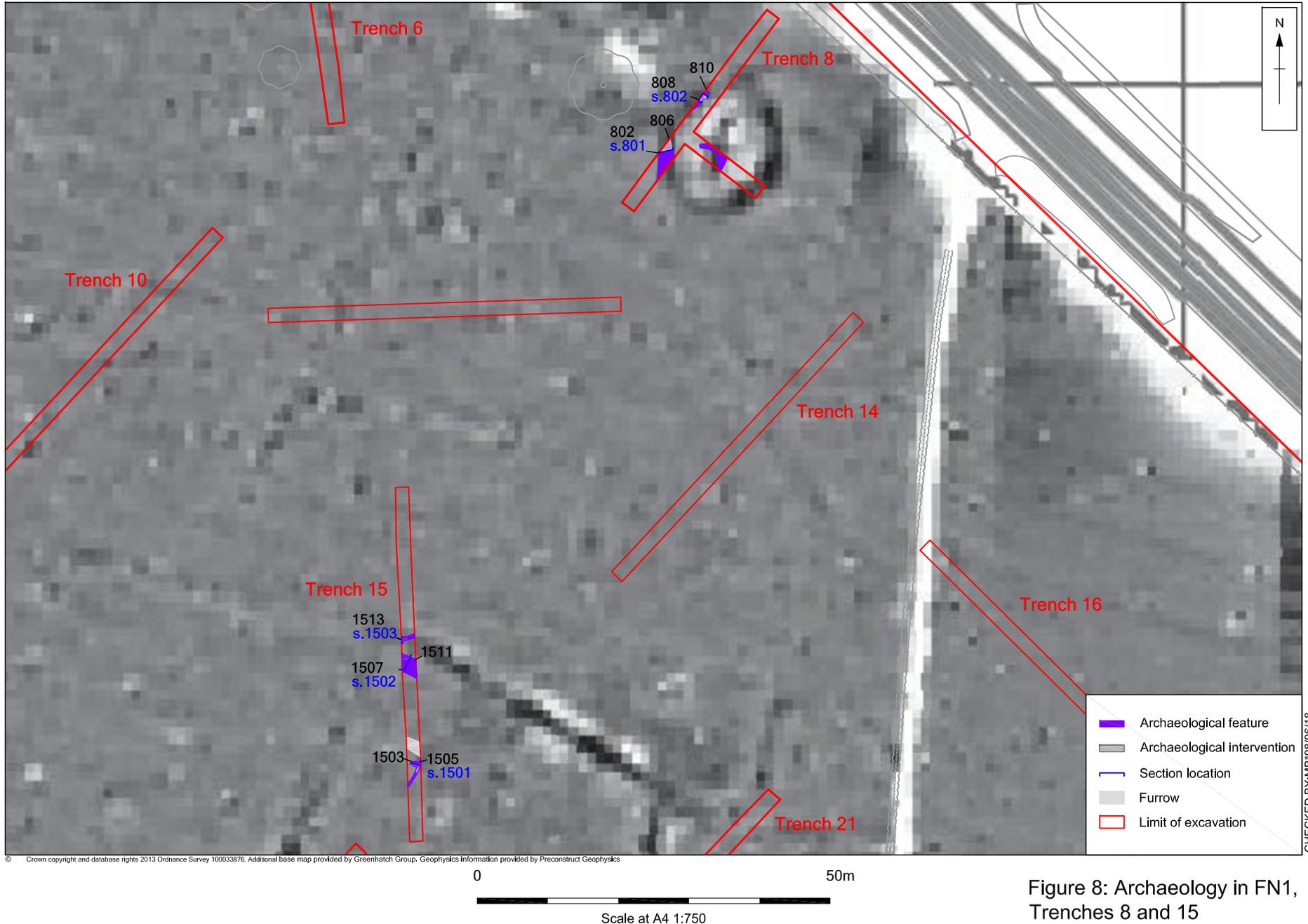
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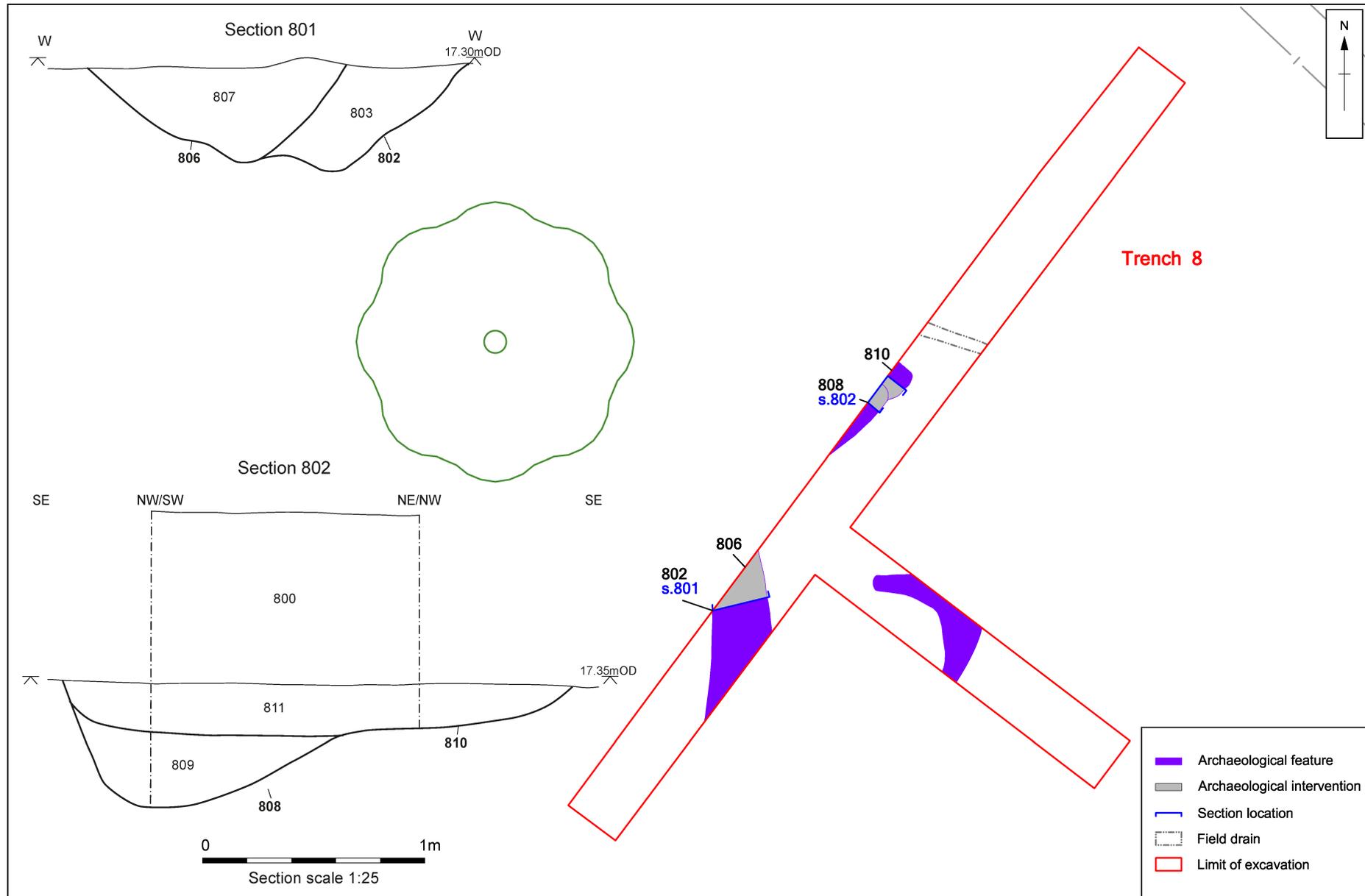
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Figure 7: Trench 23 with sections





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Figure 9: Trench 8 with sections

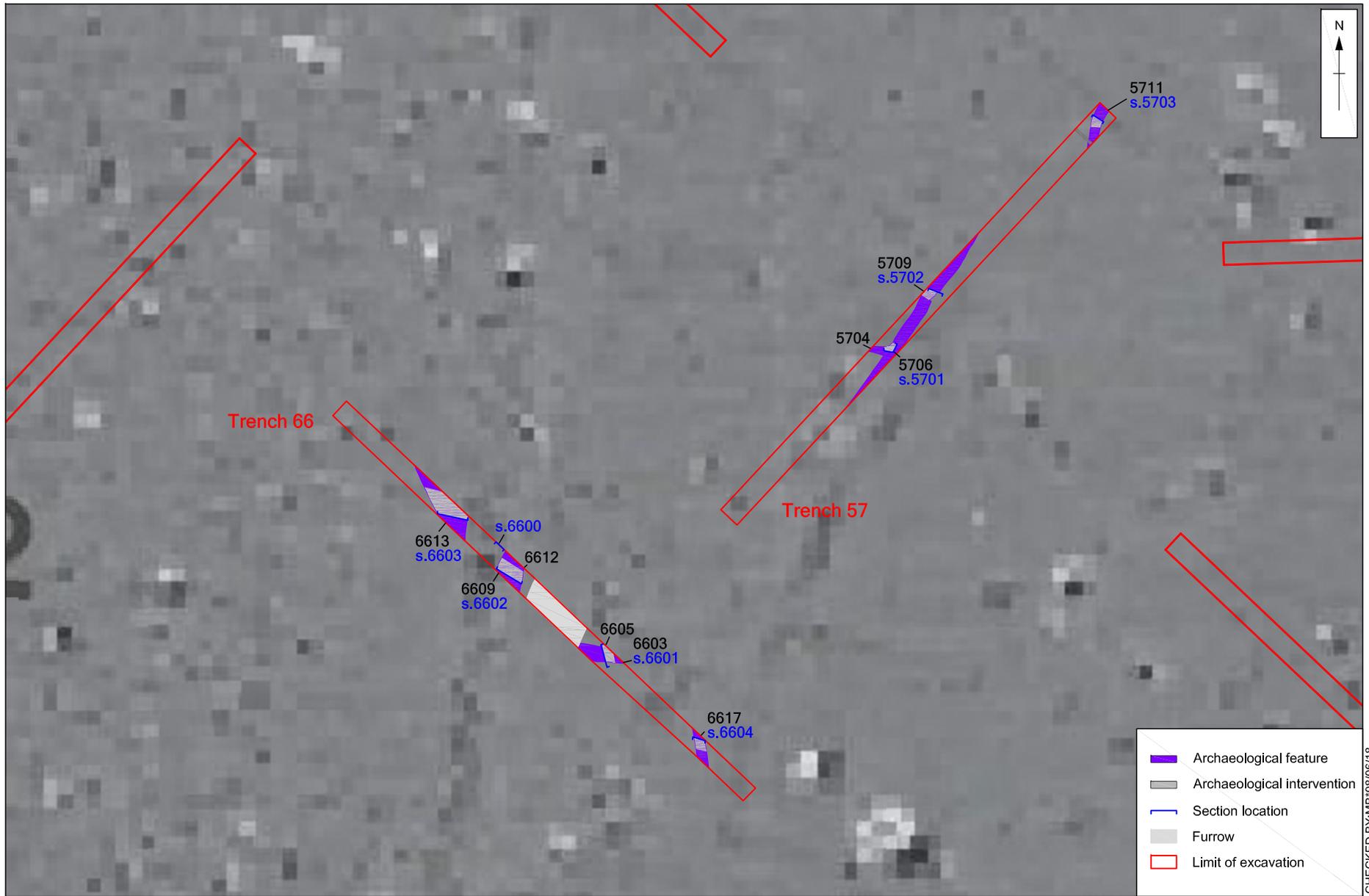
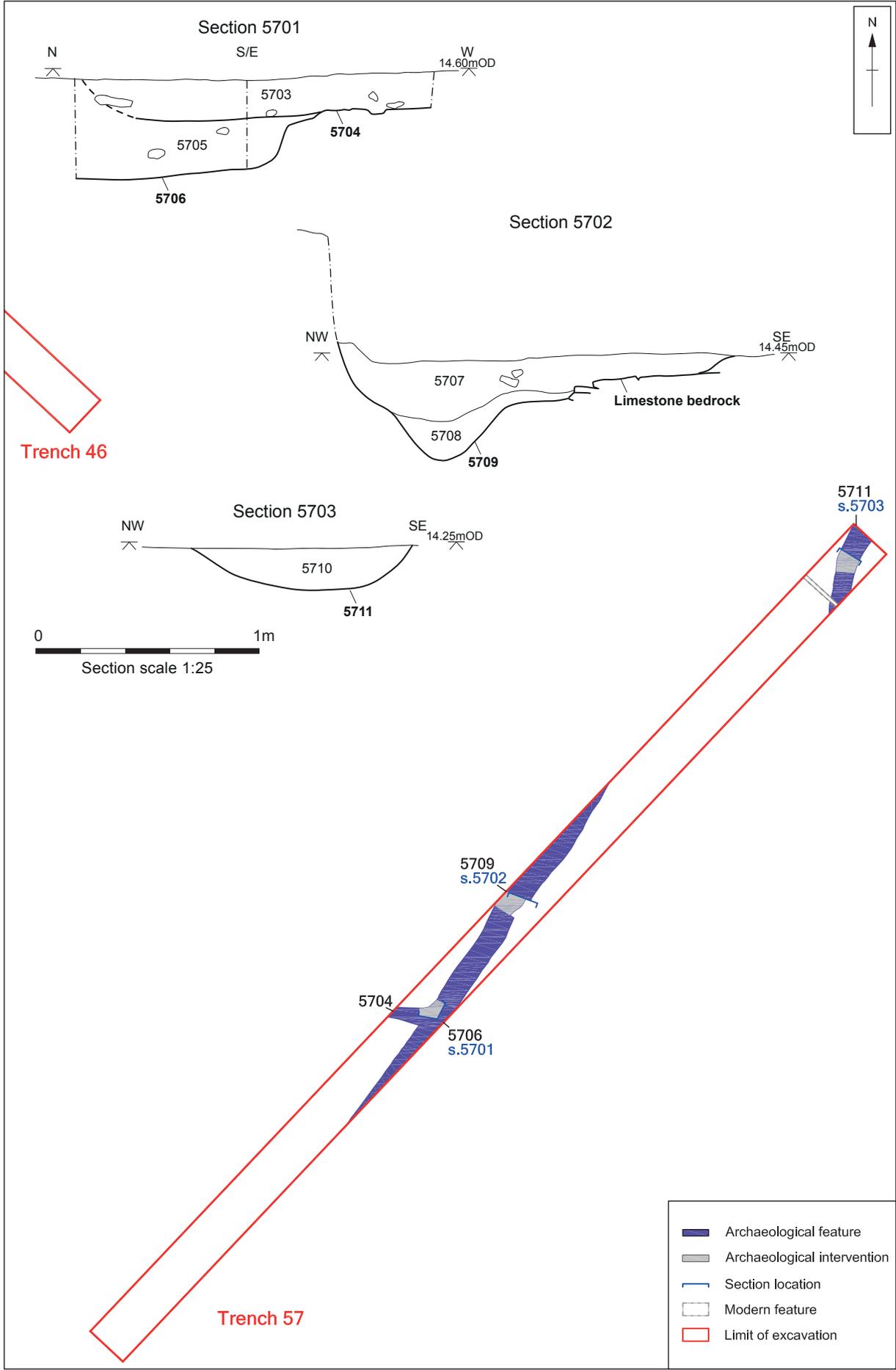


Figure 10: Archaeology in FN2, Trenches 57 and 66

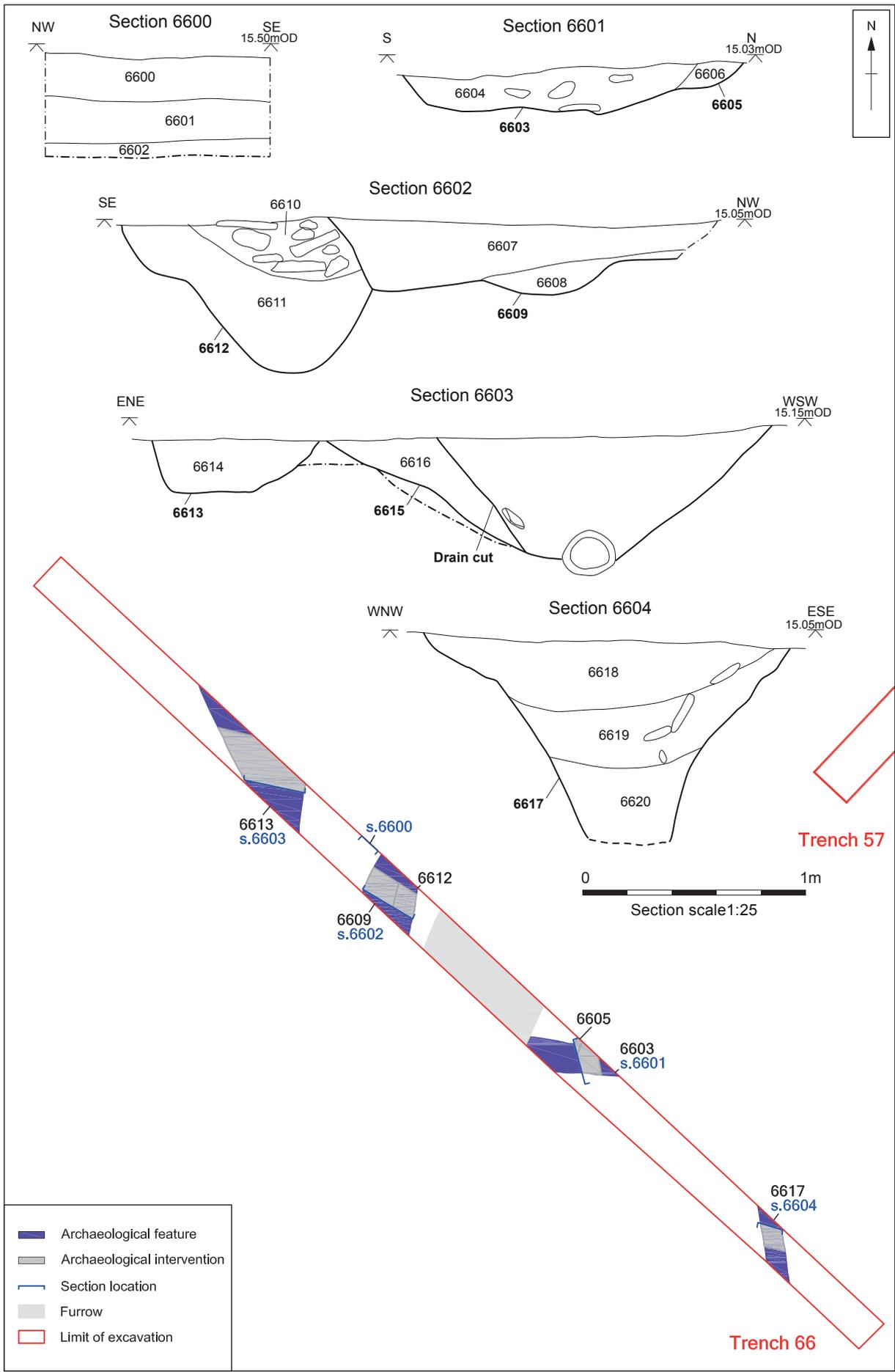
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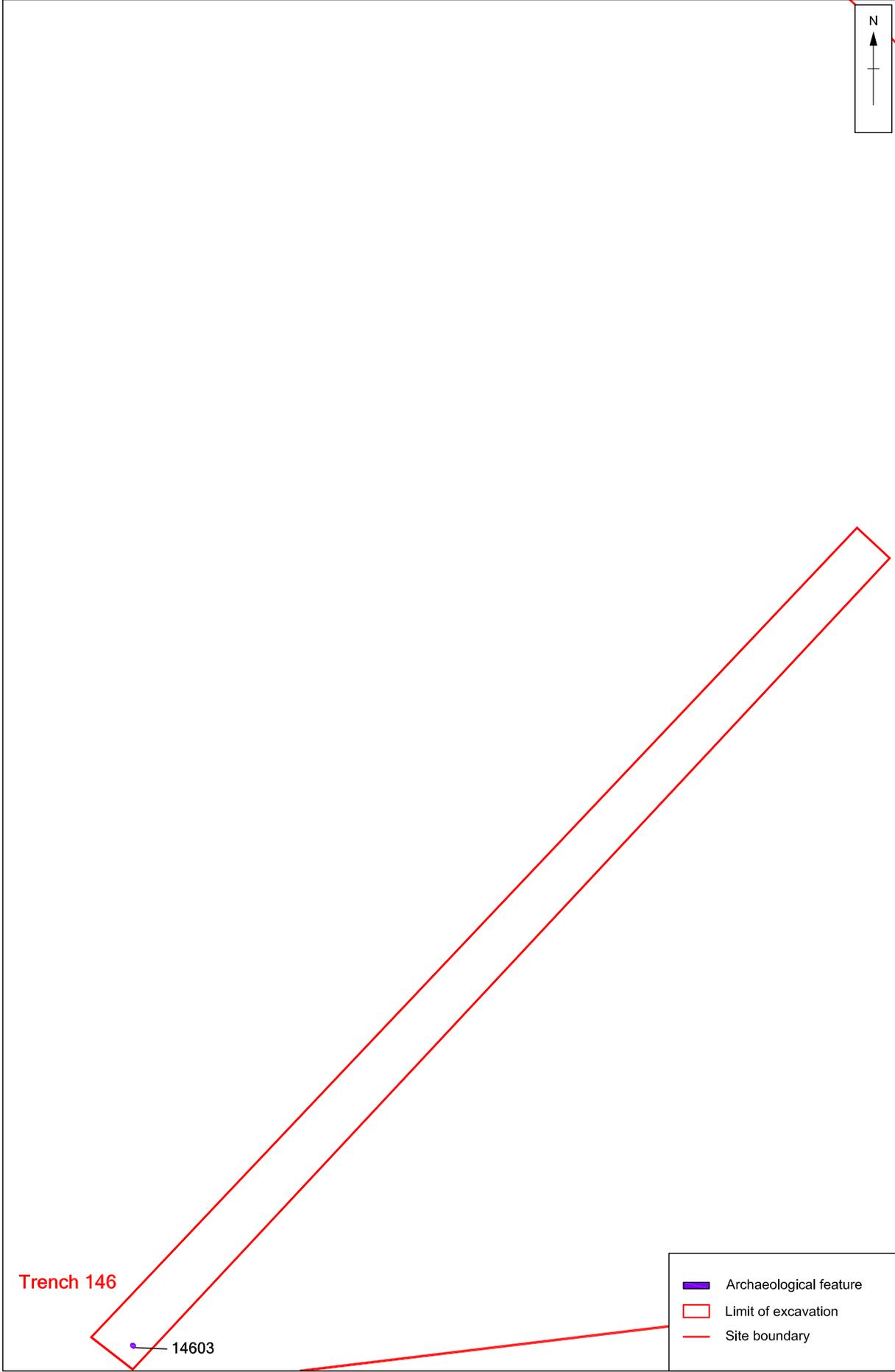
Figure 11: Trench 57 with sections

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Figure 12: Trench 66 with sections



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Figure 13: Trench 146 with cremation 14603

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- ▬ Excavated evaluation trench
- ▬ Evaluation trench with archaeology
- ▬ Unexcavated evaluation trench
- Area of archaeological potential
- Pipeline exclusion
- Site boundary

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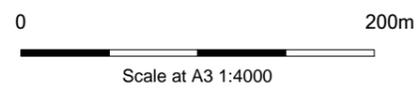


Figure 14: Areas of archaeological potential

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Plate 1: Trench 15 looking north (1m and 2m scales)



Plate 2: Ditches [1507] and [1511] looking south-east

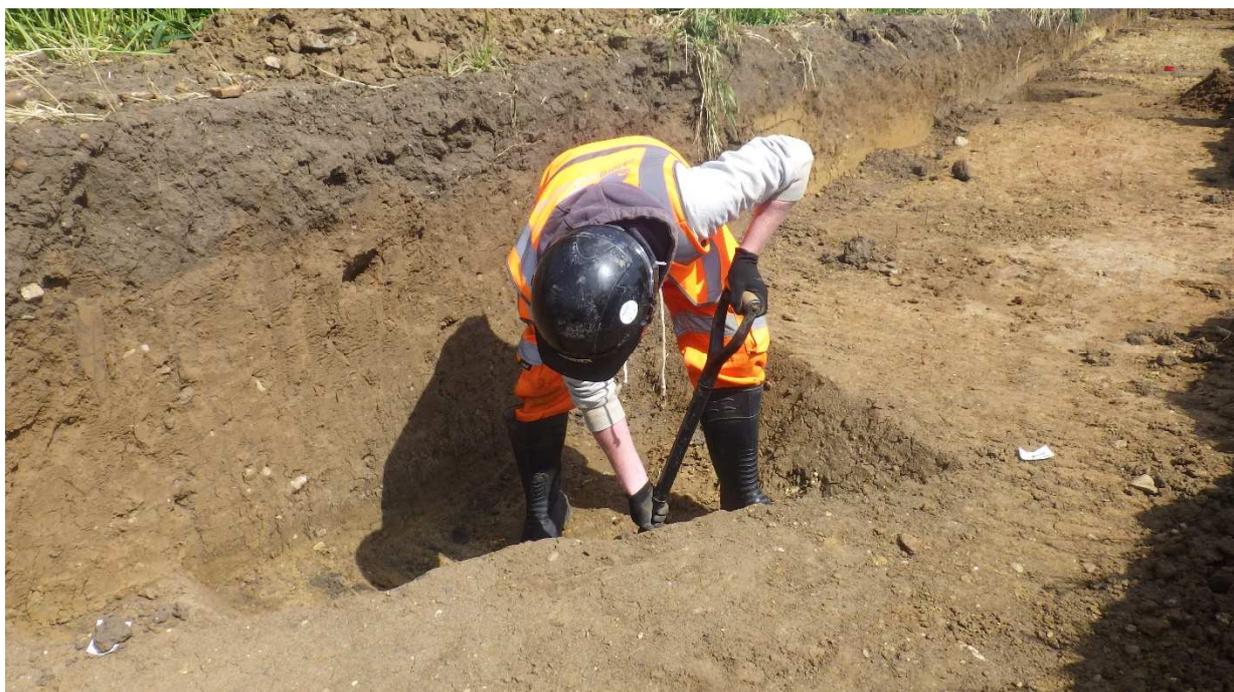


Plate 3: Trench 8 looking east



Plate 4: Ditches [802] and [807] looking south-east



Plate 5: Trench 57 looking south-west (1m and 2m scales)



Plate 6: Ditch [5709] looking north east (1m scale)



Plate 7: Trench 66 looking north-west (1m and 2m scales)



Plate 8: Tree throw [6609] and ditch [6612] looking South (2m scale)



Plate 9: Ditch [6617] looking North (1m scale)



Plate 10: Cremation [14603] (0.5m scale)



Plate11: Trench 77 with RAF Balderton 'road' looking north-east



Plate 12: S.11300 showing levelled/made-ground in field 2

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## APPENDIX E SITE SUMMARY DETAILS

<b>Site name:</b>	Fernwood
<b>Site code:</b>	FERN18
<b>Grid Reference</b>	SK 8271 5127
<b>Type:</b>	Evaluation
<b>Date and duration:</b>	April-June 2018
<b>Area of Site</b>	55.8 ha
<b>Location of archive:</b>	The archive is currently held at OA, Janus House, Osney Mead, Oxford, OX2 0ES, and will be deposited in due course when an appropriate receiving Museum for Nottinghamshire is available.
<b>Summary of Results:</b>	<p>The evaluation trenching has shown that there are three main areas of archaeological activity across the proposed development area. Field 1 contained a potential medieval windmill mound base and a larger Bronze Age enclosure to the south with internal features. Field 2 contained a second Bronze Age enclosure with internal features. Whilst the majority of field 3 appears to have been truncated by modern intrusions, the southern end of trench 146 produced a single Bronze Age urned cremation.</p> <p>A number of ditches were excavated that related to the Post-Medieval field systems and the site was left as open fields until the establishment of RAF Balderton in 1944 in the area.</p> <p>The archaeology is consistent with the results produced by the geophysical survey and historical mapping and indicates the preservation of a prehistoric ritual and settlement landscape.</p>



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