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An archaeological evaluation was undertaken by Cotswold Archaeology between January and February 2019 of land at Mickle Well Park, Daventry, Northamptonshire. The fieldwork comprised the excavation of one hundred and twenty trenches.

Archaeological interest in the site is derived from its location within an area containing known archaeological remains. Previous geophysical survey of the site identified anomalies interpreted as rectilinear enclosures, most likely indicative of Romano-British settlement. Subsequent targeted archaeological evaluation confirmed the presence of archaeological remains in the form of rectilinear enclosures, concentrated in the north-eastern part of the site.

The current evaluation further recorded the remains of a settlement which forms the periphery of the previously identified Late Iron Age and Roman settlement, which was investigated in December 2013. In the current site, the remains consisted of a series of ditches and pits. The settlement lies on a south facing slope at between 125m and 135m above Ordnance Datum within the eastern part of the site. The evaluation and geophysical survey results suggest that north-eastern part of the site was the main focus of settlement with parts of the remainder of the site utilised for agriculture.

Medieval plough furrows, the remains of the open field system that once surrounded the village of Welton/Daventry, were encountered across the entire site; variations in their alignment indicates that the site covers parts of three or more former open fields.

The evaluation identified ditches and agricultural features within the remainder of the site from which a small amount of material dateable to the post-medieval and modern periods was recovered. The majority of these ditches are recorded on historic mapping. The

remaining field boundary ditches, furrows and land drains fit within the general alignment of the surrounding field systems depicted on historic and current Ordnance Survey mapping.

Five large pits unevenly distributed across the western and central parts of the site remained undated, although they are likely to relate to post-medieval to modern quarrying.

The flanking ditches of two possible trackways were identified within the eastern part of the site, but remained undated. Further pits and ditches, predominantly concentrated in the eastern part of the site, could not be attributed to either the identified Iron Age, Roman or medieval to modern activity.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 During January and February 2019, Cotswold Archaeology (CA) carried out an archaeological evaluation of land at Mickle Well Park, Daventry, Northamptonshire (centred at NGR: 457100 265400; Fig. 1). The evaluation was commissioned by Orbit Homes.

1.2 Detailed planning permission for the construction of 106 dwellings, with outline approval for 450 plots, was granted by Daventry District Council (DDC; the local planning authority) conditional on a programme of archaeological works (DA/2014/0869; Condition 10).

1.3 The scope of the evaluation, which comprised the excavation of 120 evaluation trenches, was defined during discussions between CA and Lesley-Ann Mather, Northamptonshire County Council's Archaeology Advisor (NCCAA; the archaeological advisors to DDC).

1.4 The evaluation was carried out in accordance with the *Brief for the Archaeological Field Evaluation of Land at Mickle Well Park, Daventry, Northamptonshire* (NCC 2018) prepared by Lesley-Ann Mather, and with a subsequent detailed *Written Scheme of Investigation* (WSI) produced by CA (2018) and approved by Lesley-Ann Mather. The fieldwork also followed *Standard and guidance: Archaeological field evaluation* (CIfA 2014), the *Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment (MORPHE): Project Planning Note 3* (English Heritage 2008), the *Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment (MORPHE): Project Manager's Guide* (EH 2006) and was monitored by Lesley-Ann Mather, including a site visit on 6 February 2019.

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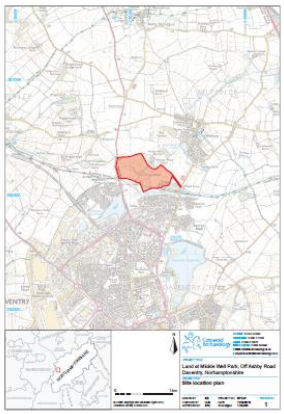

The site

1.5 The proposed development site is *c.* 37ha in area, located approximately 250m north-west of Daventry. It comprises predominantly arable fields with a small area of woodland located within the centre of the site (Fig. 2). The site lies between approximately 160m above Ordnance Datum (aOD) and 115m aOD.

1.6 The underlying bedrock geology of the area is mapped as Dyrham Formation, mudstone and siltstone of the Jurassic period. This is overlain in the western part of the site by Mid Pleistocene glaciofluvial deposits of sand and gravel. No superficial deposits are recorded in the eastern part of the site (BGS 2019).

Fig. 2 Site, looking south-west

2. ARCHAEOLOGICAL BACKGROUND

2.1 The archaeological and historical background of the site have been detailed within the Heritage Statement (CgMs 2014) and further supplemented by the findings of a geophysical survey, evaluation (CgMs 2014) and a watching brief carried out during the excavation of geotechnical test pits (ULAS 2017). The following section is summarised from these sources.

2.2 The Historic Environment Record records a single non-designated asset in the north-east of the site, comprising surface finds dating to the Roman period identified during fieldwalking (HER617).

2.3 Geophysical survey of the site, undertaken by Stratascan in November 2013 (CgMs 2014), identified probable archaeological anomalies in the north-east of the site, including a possible rectilinear enclosure and linear features close to where the fieldwalking finds were identified. Across the remainder of the site anomalies were also identified in localised areas which may be of potential archaeological interest or may simply represent modern agricultural activity or be of geological origin (Fig. 3).

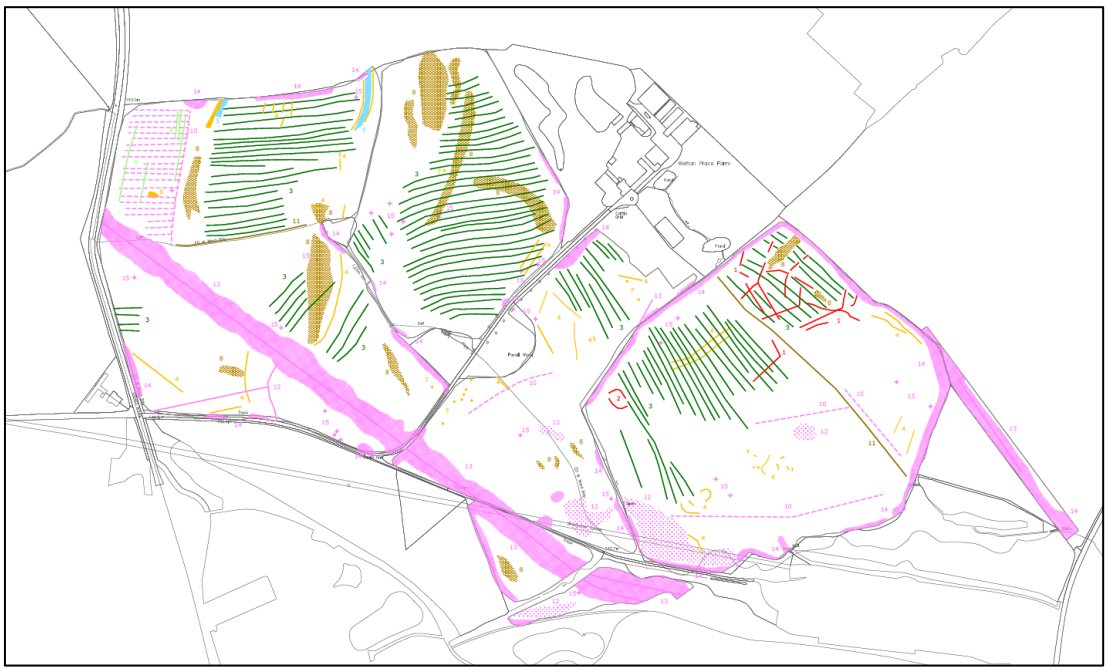

Fig. 3 Geophysical survey (CgMs 2014)

2.4 A subsequent targeted evaluation, undertaken in the north-east of the site and comprising six trial trenches, was undertaken in December 2013 (CgMs 2014; see Fig. 4). The evaluation revealed a small ditched enclosure of possible Late Iron Age

Fig. 4


Site boundary
Evaluation trench
Archaeological feature
Furrow
Tree throw
Land drain
Previous evaluation trench plus ref
Geophysical survey data by Stratascan (2013)
+2nT
-2nT
0
1:1,500
120m
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Trench location plan
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date and further field ditches, at least two of which contained material dating to the late 1st and 2nd century AD. Pottery and ceramic building material recovered from the latter hint at the presence of settlement in the near vicinity, whilst the presence of wheat chaff from three of the ditches is indicative of crop processing activity taking place nearby. A small but wide-ranging assemblage of animal bone confirms the presence of domesticated animals as well as domestic fowl and hare.

2.5 An archaeological watching brief undertaken during the excavation of 65 geotechnical test pits excavated across the site in September 2017 recorded no archaeological finds or features (ULAS 2017).

3. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

3.1 The objectives of the evaluation, as detailed in the WSI (CA 2018), were to provide information about the archaeological resource within the site, including its presence/absence, character, extent, date, integrity, state of preservation and quality, in accordance *Standard and guidance: Archaeological field evaluation* (CIfA 2014). This information will enable Daventry District Council to identify and assess the particular significance of any heritage asset, consider the impact of the proposed development upon it, and to avoid or minimise conflict between the heritage asset's conservation and any aspect of the development proposal, in line with the *National Planning Policy Framework* (MHCLG 2019).

4. METHODOLOGY

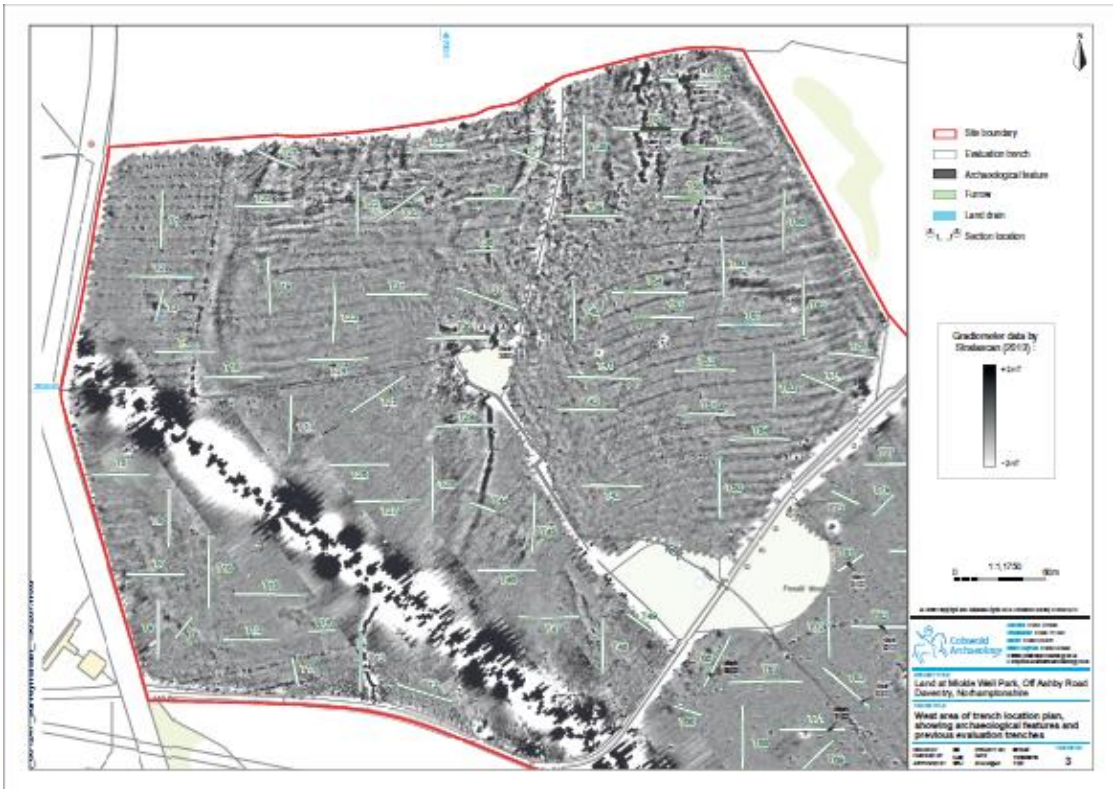
4.1 The fieldwork comprised the excavation of 120 trenches in the locations shown on the attached plan (Figs 4 to 6). The evaluation consisted of 14 trenches measuring 20m long, 7 trenches measuring 30m long, 83 trenches measuring 40m long and 16 trenches measuring 50m long, with each trench measuring 1.8m wide. Trenches 103 and 122-124 could not be excavated due to ecological constraints. Trenches were set out on OS National Grid (NGR) co-ordinates using Leica GPS and surveyed in accordance with *CA Technical Manual 4: Survey Manual*.

4.2 All trenches were excavated by mechanical excavator equipped with a toothless grading bucket. All machine excavation was undertaken under constant archaeological supervision to the top of the first significant archaeological horizon or the natural substrate, whichever was encountered first. Where archaeological deposits were encountered they were excavated by hand in accordance with *CA Technical Manual 1: Fieldwork Recording Manual*.

4.3 Deposits were assessed for their palaeoenvironmental potential in accordance with *CA Technical Manual 2: The Taking and Processing of Environmental and Other Samples from Archaeological Sites*. All artefacts recovered were processed in accordance with *Technical Manual 3: Treatment of Finds Immediately after Excavation*.

4.4 The archive and artefacts from the evaluation are currently held by CA at their offices in Milton Keynes. There is currently no depository accepting archives from this part of Northamptonshire. The project archive will therefore be held by CA at their offices in Milton Keynes until such a time as a depository becomes available. A summary of information from this project, set out within Appendix D, will be entered onto the OASIS online database of archaeological projects in Britain.

Fig 5


Site boundary
Evaluation trench
Archaeological feature
Furrow
Land drain
Section location
Gradiometer data by Stratascan (2013)
+2nT
-2nT
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Land at Mickle Well Park, Off Ashby Road
Daventry, Northamptonshire
West area of trench location plan, showing archaeological features and previous evaluation trenches
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Fig 6


Site boundary
Evaluation trench
Archaeological feature
Furrow
Land drain
Tree throw
Section location
Previous evaluation trench
Gradiometer data by Stratascan (2013)
Land at Mickle Well Park, Off Ashby Road
Daventry, Northamptonshire
East area of trench location plan, showing archaeological features and previous evaluation trenches

5. RESULTS (FIGS 2-50)

5.1 This section provides an overview of the evaluation results; detailed summaries of the recorded contexts, finds and palaeoenvironmental evidence are to be found in Appendices A, B and C respectively.

5.2 The results of the fieldwork showed a good correlation with the preceding geophysical survey and appeared to form the continuation of activity identified in the previous targeted archaeological evaluation (Figs 3 to 6). Geophysical survey identified a small ditched enclosure, which previous targeted evaluation identified as being of possible Late Iron Age date; further field-system ditches dating to the late 1st and 2nd century AD were also recorded in the north-east of the site as well as other anomalies of potential archaeological interest in localised areas across the remainder of the site.

5.3 No archaeological features or deposits were identified during the present evaluation within Trenches 1, 2, 5, 7-11, 13-18, 20, 21, 25, 28-29, 31, 33-42, 44-42, 44-49, 51, 56, 62-64, 66-70, 73-75 77-80, 84-89, 92-93, 98, 100, 102, 108, 112, 113, 116 and 119. Natural features were identified in Trenches 20, 23, 24, 50, 57, 67 and 68. Furrows were located within Trenches 6, 19, 22-24, 26-27, 32, 43, 50, 52-55, 59-61, 76, 105, 109 and 111.

General stratigraphy (Fig. 7)

5.4 A broadly similar stratigraphic sequence was identified within each of the trenches (Fig. 7). The natural geological substrate, which varied across the site from silty clay to sandy silt, was revealed at an average depth of between 0.18m and 1.2m below present ground level (bpgl). This was overlain by intermittent subsoil measuring between *c*. 0.07m to 0.95m thick, which was in turn sealed by topsoil averaging between 0.18m and 0.42m in thickness. All the identified archaeological features cut the natural substrate, except where re-cutting of earlier features occurred, or where modern features cut through the overlying subsoil.

Fig. 7 Representative section (1m scale)

Middle to Late Iron Age (400 BC to AD 43)

Trench 96 (Figs 4, 6 & 8 to 10)

5.5 Located centrally within the trench, pit 9605, was partially revealed, emanating from its western edge. It measured 0.5m in width and in excess of 1.5m in length, but was not further investigated. A single sherd of Middle to Late Iron Age pottery was recovered from the upper surface of its mid grey clay silt fill (9606). A bulk environmental sample (Sample 3) taken from this fill contained a small quantity of charcoal fragments.

5.6 Located toward the southern part of the trench was pit/ditch terminus 9603 (Figs 8 & 9; section AA), aligned north-west/south-east. This feature measured 1.02m wide by 0.65m deep and had steep, convex sides and a rounded base. It was filled by a single deposit (9604) of dark grey brown clay silt from which no finds were recovered. A small number of grain fragments and charcoal fragments were recovered from an environmental sample (Sample 2) taken from fill 9604.

Fig. 8 Pit/ditch terminus 9603, looking south-east (1m scale)

Fig. 9

5.7 Pit 9607 was located centrally within Trench 96 and was recorded as measuring 0.88m in diameter and 0.16m deep (Fig. 10; section BB). It was circular in plan, with moderately sloping sides and a flat base. No finds were recovered from its mid brown grey clay silt fill (9608). Cutting the fill 9608 of pit 9607 was circular posthole 9609. It measured 0.22m in diameter and 0.17m in depth, with steep sides and a flat base. No dateable material was recovered from its mid grey brown clay silt fill.

5.8 The pits within Trench 96 are located within an area containing a slight concentration of discrete geophysical anomalies. Although undated artefactually pits 9603, 9607 and posthole 6909 are tentatively grouped within the middle to late Iron Age period due to their proximity and similarity to positively dated features.

Late Iron Age/Roman (100 BC to AD 43)

Trench 30 (Figs 4, 5, 11 & 12)

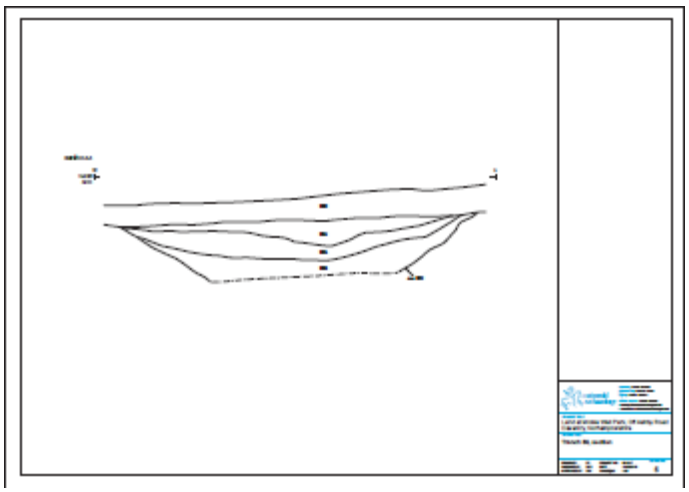
5.9 Located toward the eastern end of Trench 30 was north/south orientated ditch 3003 (Figs 11 & 12; section CC). It measured 4.4m in width and in excess of 0.76m deep, although the base was not reached. It had moderately sloping sides and contained a succession of sandy clay and silty clay fills (3004, 3005 and 3006) from which four sherds of pottery dating to the Late Iron Age/Roman period were recovered. One of the identified potsherds may date to the Middle Iron Age, although due to its lack of diagnostic features, it has not been possible to confidently assign it to this period. A total 17 fragments of animal bones (264g) were recovered from deposit 3005. A small assemblage of charcoal fragments was recovered from fill 3006 (Sample 1) of ditch 3003, as well as mollusc shells of species which inhabit open country.

5.10 Ditch 3003 corresponded with a sinuous, broadly north/south orientated, geophysical anomaly. The continuation of this feature was not identified within Trenches 29 and 44, although the geophysical anomaly is seen to continue through these trenches.

Fig 10

Fig. 11 Ditch 3003, looking north (1m Scale)

Fig. 12 3003



Trench 104 (Figs 4, 6 & 13 to 15)

5.11 Located centrally within Trench 104 was a series of parallel north-west/south-east orientated ditches (10406, 10408 and ditch 10410), which contained pottery dating to the Romano-British period.

5.12 Ditch 10406 measured 0.5m wide and 0.15m deep with moderately sloping sides and a concave base (Fig. 13; section DD). It was filled by light yellow grey silty sand 10407, which contained Roman ceramic building material. To the immediate west of this feature, ditch 10408 measured 0.7m in width and 0.2m in depth, with a similar profile to ditch 10406, comprising moderately steep sides and a rounded base (Figs 14 & 15; section EE). Its single fill (10409) comprised mid brown grey silty sand, from which three sherds of Romano-British pottery were recovered, as well as three fragments of tile, worked sandstone and two fragments of animal bone.

Fig. 13

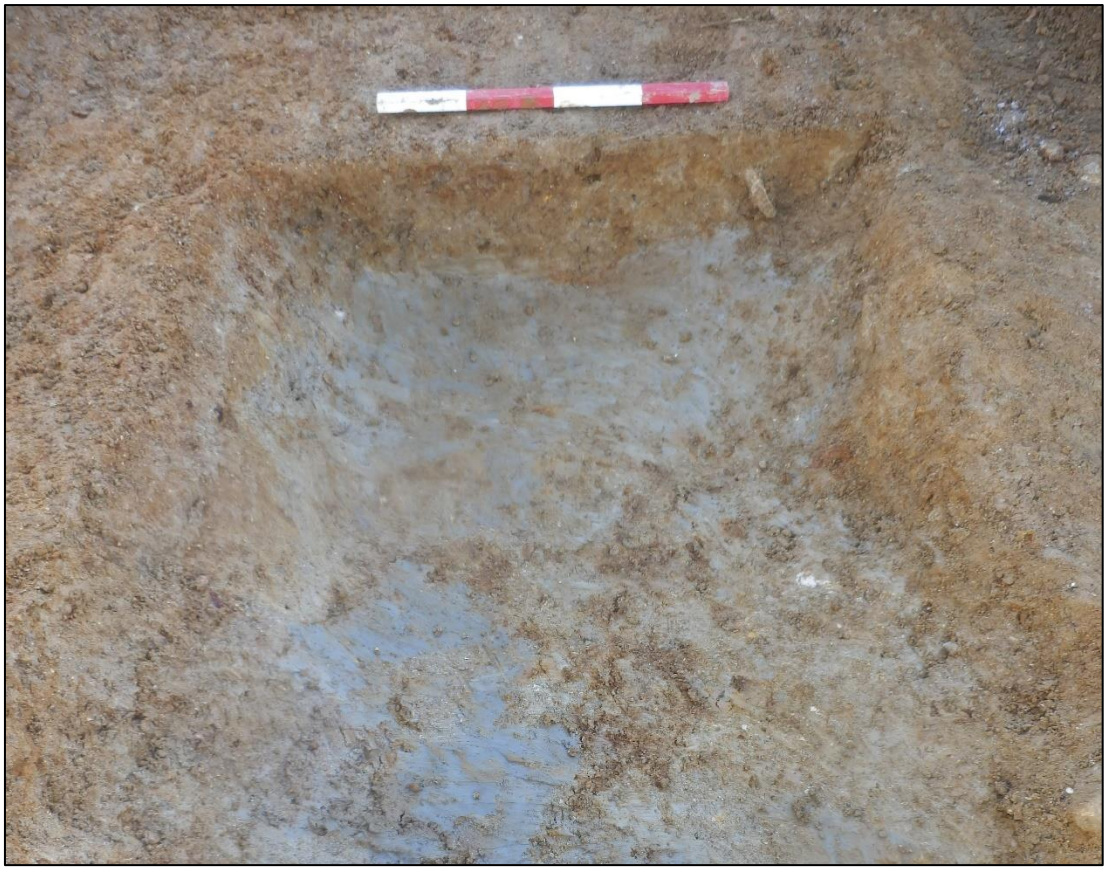


Fig. 14 Ditch 10408, looking north-west (0.4m scale)

Fig. 15

5.13 Located to the west of ditch 10408 was ditch 10410. It measured 1.25m in width and contained a mid-yellow brown silty clay fill (10411), from which one fragment of Roman CBM was collected from the surface.

Trench 106 (Figs 4, 6 & 16)

5.14 North-west/south-east orientated ditch 10602 was located towards the north-eastern end of Trench 106 (Fig.16; section FF). It measured 3.66m wide and in excess of 1.1m deep, although the base was not reached. It had moderately steeply sloping, convex sides and was infilled by multiple deposits of clay silts and silty sands (10603, 10604, 10605 and 10606), likely the result of natural accumulation. Deposit 10604 contained two fragments of animal bone; deposit 10605 contained a single sherd of pottery broadly attributable to the Romano-British period, as well as four fragments of animal bone. A bulk environmental sample (Sample 4) taken from fill 10606 contained a small quantity of charcoal fragments and a free-threshing wheat grain as well as a moderate number of mollusc shells.

Trench 120 (Figs 4, 6, 17 & 18)

5.15 Toward the south-western end of Trench 120 was north-west/south-east aligned ditch 12003 (Fig 17; section GG). It measured 2m in width and 0.78m in depth, with irregular sloping sides, a steep, convex north-eastern edge and a moderately sloping, uneven south-western side. It contained multiple fills (12004 to 12007) of clay and sand. A total of three sherds of pottery dating to the 2nd-4th centuries AD, was recovered from the uppermost fill (12007). A bulk soil sample (Sample 9), taken from this fill (12007) recovered a high number of charred plant remains and a moderate quantity of charcoal fragments, as well as a moderate number of mollusc shells.

5.16 Ditch 12003 corresponds with a north-west/south-east orientated anomaly depicted on the geophysical survey.

5.17 Located at the north-eastern end of the trench were parallel north-west/south-east orientated ditches 12012, 12008 and 12010. Ditch 12012 measured 1.43m wide by 0.63m deep and had steeply sloping, convex sides (Fig. 17; section HH). Its basal fill (12013), comprised dark grey brown sandy silt. This was overlain by mid orange brown sandy silt (12014), which was in turn sealed by mid grey brown clay sand 12015, which contained two sherds of pottery of broadly Roman date and a tile

fragment. A bulk soil sample (Sample 8) recovered from fill (12014) contained charred seeds and charcoal fragments, as well as a large number of mollusc shells.

Fig.16 10602

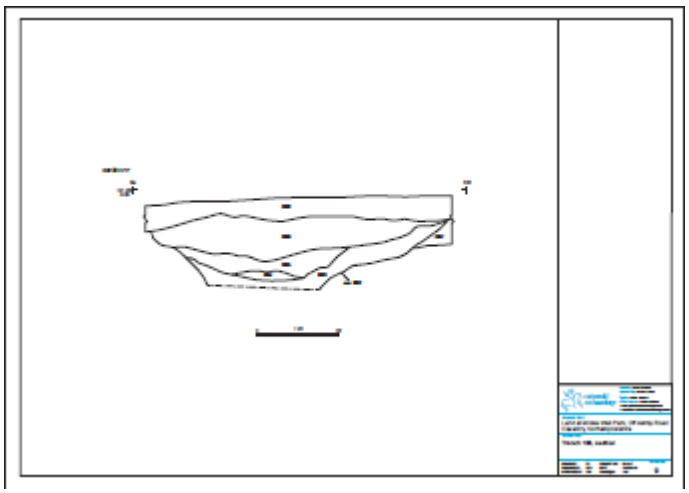
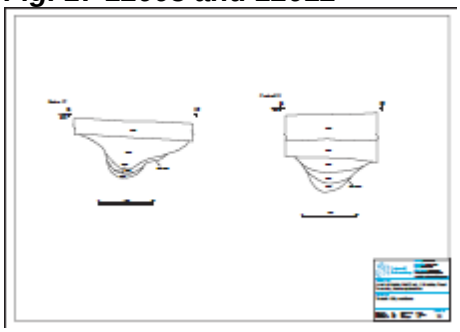


Fig. 17 12003 and 12012



5.18 Located to the north-east of ditch 12012, ditch 12008 measured 0.47m wide by 0.42m deep, with steeply sloping sides, a concave base (Fig. 18; section II). It contained as single fill (12009), comprising of mid grey brown sandy clay. Located *c*. 6m to the north-east of ditch 12008 was ditch 12010 (Fig. 18; section JJ). It measured 1.1m in width and 0.46m in depth, with steeply sloping, convex sides and a rounded base. It contained a mid grey brown sandy clay fill (12011). No finds were recovered from the respective fill of ditches 12008 and 12010. Although undated artefactually, ditches 12008 and 12010 are attributed to the Early Roman period based on their morphological characteristics and similarity of alignments to positively dated features.

5.19 Ditches 12012 and 12008 correspond with a linear anomaly depicted on the geophysical survey.

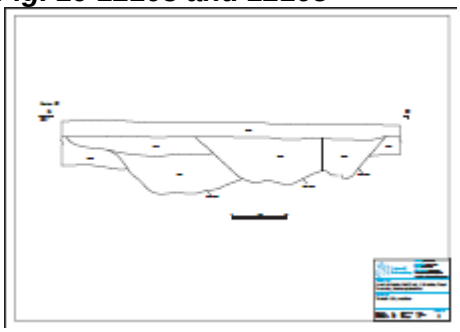
Trench 121 (Figs 4, 6 & 19)

5.20 Located towards the north-western end of the trench were parallel north-east/south-west orientated ditches 12103 and 12105 (Fig 19; section KK). Ditch 12103 measured 1.38m long by 1.04m deep, with moderately steeply sloping sides and an uneven base. It contained two fills; the basal fill of mid yellow brown silty clay (12104), contained one sherd of Nene valley Colour Coated ware and three sherds of shell-tempered ware dating to the 2nd-4th centuries AD. An environmental sample (Sample 5) recovered from this deposit recorded a moderate assemblage of free-threshing wheat grain fragments and charcoal fragments as well as a moderate number of mollusc shells. This fill was overlain by mid brown grey silty clay fill 12110.

5.21 Truncating the fill 12110 of ditch 12103 along the length of its north-western edge was ditch 12105. Ditch 12105 measured 2.24m in width and 0.81m deep, with moderately sloping sides and an uneven base. A single sherd of Roman pottery and six fragments of ceramic building material (including five fragments of tile) were recovered from its dark grey brown silty clay (12106).

Fig. 18

Fig. 19 12103 and 12105



Medieval ridge and furrow (Figs 4 to 6 & 20)

5.22 Regularly spaced furrows, the remains of an open field system, were recorded in Trenches 6, 19, 22-24, 26-27, 32, 43, 50, 52-55, 59-61, 76, 105, 109 and 111, and corresponding with the alignment of the furrows shown on the geophysical survey plot (CgMs 2014). The furrows typically measured between 0.7m and 2.2m wide and, where excavated, were up to 0.13m deep. Their wide spacing, at between *c.* 3.5m to 9m apart, and the slight curve in their alignments, as shown on the geophysical survey, suggests that they are probably medieval in origin, although no dateable material was recovered from their excavated fills. Nineteenth-century ceramic land drains were noted across the site, and these often coincided with the furrows, suggesting that they had been inserted into the bases of the ridge and furrow earthworks whilst they were still extant.

5.23 Three alignments of furrows were identified, representing partial elements of at least three open fields. East/west orientated furrow 602 was located within the western part of the site (Fig. 20). It measured 2.2m wide by 0.13m deep, with gently sloping sides and an irregular base. It was naturally infilled by mid grey brown sandy clay fill 603. Located toward the northern, central part of the site, was north-east/south-west orientated furrow 5903. It was recorded as measuring 0.7m in width by 0.06m in depth, with gently sloping sides and a concave base. It was filled by mid yellow brown sandy silt fill 5904. North-west/south-east orientated furrow 11010 was situated toward the western edge of the site. The furrow measured 1.39m wide and 0.2m deep and had gently sloping sides, an irregular base and was filled by dark brown grey clay silt (11011).

Fig. 20 Furrow 602, looking east (2m scale)

Post-medieval to modern (1540 to present)

Trench 65 (Figs 4, 5, 6 & 21)

5.24 Located towards the south-western end of the trench was north-west/south-east orientated ditch 6502 (Fig. 21). It measured 1.08m wide by 0.38m deep, with moderately steeply sloping sides and a concave base. Its dark brown grey compact silty clay fill (6503) contained modern CBM and concrete which was recorded but not collected.

5.25 Ditch 6502 corresponds with a field boundary depicted on the First Edition Ordnance Survey Map of 1885. It also corelates with a geophysical anomaly.

Fig. 21 Ditch 6502, looking north-west (1m scale)

Trench 71 (Figs 4, 5, 6 & 22)

5.26 Located centrally with Trench 71 was north-east/south-west ditch 7102 (Fig. 22). It measured 0.9m wide and 0.37m deep and had steeply sloping sides and a rounded base. It was filled by mid brown grey silty clay fill (7103). The continuation of this ditch was observed in Trench 83 as ditch 8302.

5.27 Ditch 7102 corresponds with an anomaly depicted on the geophysical survey.

Fig. 22 Ditch 7102, looking south-west (1m scale)

Trench 81 (Figs 4, 6 & 23)

5.28 North-west/south-east orientated ditch 8102 was recorded within the central part of Trench 81 (Fig. 23). It measured 2.04m wide and 0.72m deep, with steeply sloping sides. Its single fill (8103) comprised mixed deposits of silty clay and clay sand, most likely the result of deliberate backfilling. It contained a fragment of glass, dating to the post-medieval period, as well as a sherd of Roman pottery, which is considered residual within this context. The continuation of this ditch was observed with Trench 82, as ditch 8202.

5.29 Ditch 8102 correlates with a geophysical anomaly and corresponds with a field boundary depicted on the First Edition Ordnance Survey Map of 1885.

Fig. 23 Ditch 8102, looking south-east (1m scale)

Trench 82 (Figs 4 & 6)

5.30 North-west/south-east orientated ditch 8202 was recorded centrally within the trench. It measured 1.53m in width and contained a similar mixed deposit of silty clay and clay sand (8203) to that observed within ditch 8102. It was not further investigated, but modern material was observed on the upper surface of fill 8203. The continuation of this ditch was observed with Trench 81, as ditch 8102.

5.31 Ditch 8202 correlates with an anomaly depicted on the geophysical survey and corresponds with a field boundary depicted on the First Edition Ordnance Survey Map of 1885.

Trench 83 (Figs 4 & 6)

5.32 North-east/south-west orientated ditch 8302 was identified towards the south-eastern end of the trench. The continuation of this ditch was observed in Trench 71 as ditch 7102. It had similar characteristics to this ditch, being 0.85m wide, with a comparable mid brown grey silty clay fill (8303). This feature remined unexcavated however, modern artefactual material was recorded from the surface of its uppermost fill (8303).

5.33 Ditch 8303 corresponds with a boundary depicted on the First Edition Ordnance Survey Map of 1885 and correlates with an anomaly depicted on the geophysical survey.

Trench 91 (Figs 4, 6 & 24)

5.34 North-east/south-west orientated ditch 9105 was identified within the western part of the trench (Fig. 24). It measured 1.64m wide and 0.65m deep, with steep, convex sides and a flat base. It contained a primary fill of mid blue grey silt clay (9106), sealed by mid orange grey clay silt (9107), which in turn was overlain by mid orange grey clay silt (9108). No dateable evidence was recovered from its respective fills.

5.35 Ditch 9105 coincides with a field boundary first depicted on the Ordnance Survey Map of 1955 and last shown on the 1965 Ordnance Survey Map. By the time of the 1969 Ordnance survey, the alignment of the field boundary has been altered. Ditch 9105 forms the continuation of an extant north-east/south-west orientated field boundary located approximately 50m to the south-west and correlates with an anomaly depicted on the geophysical survey.

Fig. 24 Ditch 9105, looking north (1m scale)

Trench 104 (Figs 4, 6 & 25)

5.36 Intercutting north-west/south-east orientated ditches 10402 and 10404 were located within the centre of Trench 104 (Fig. 25). Ditch 10402 measured 0.3m in width and 0.22m in depth, with steeply sloping sides and a concave base. Its fill (10403), which comprised light grey brown sandy silt, from which no finds were recovered, was truncated along its north-eastern edge by parallel ditch 10404. Ditch 10404 measured 0.88m wide by 0.32m deep, with uneven sides and an uneven base. A total of two fragments of post-medieval CBM was recovered from the single mid brown grey sandy silt fill (10405).

5.37 The continuation of ditches 10402 and 10404 is recorded in Trench 117 as ditch 11702. Ditches 10402 and 10404 correspond with a field boundary depicted on the 1885 First edition Ordnance Survey Map and are coincidental with an anomaly depicted on the geophysical survey.

Fig 25 Ditch 104, looking east (1m scale)

Trench 107 (Figs 4, 6 & 26)

5.38 North-east/south-west orientated ditch 10703 was observed centrally within the trench, cutting the subsoil. Measuring 1.32m wide by 0.56m deep, it had steep sides and a concave base (Fig. 26).

5.39 Ditch 10703 corresponds with a boundary depicted on the First Edition Ordnance Survey Map of 1885 and correlates with an anomaly depicted on the geophysical survey.

Fig. 26 Ditch 10703, looking west (1m scale)

Trench 114 (Figs 4, 6 & 27)

5.40 North-west/south-east orientated ditch 11404 was situated towards the centre of the trench (Fig. 27). It measured 1.13m in width by 0.25m in depth and had moderately sloping sides and a concave base. Along its south-eastern edge were a series of large sandstone slabs (11404), which appeared to have been deliberately placed in order to line the side of the ditch. This lining was sealed by mid brown grey silty clay (11405) from which no dating evidence was recovered.

Fig. 27 Ditch 11404, looking north (1m scale)

5.41 North-west/south-east orientated ditch 11402 was located at the north-eastern end of Trench 114. It measured 0.51m wide and 0.22m deep and had steep sides and a rounded base. No finds were recovered from its light blue grey silty clay fill (11403).

5.42 Ditch 11404 broadly corresponds with a boundary depicted on the First Edition Ordnance Survey Map of 1885 and correlates with an anomaly depicted on the geophysical survey. Ditch 11402 runs parallel to ditch 11404 and fits within the alignment of the current field system. As such, it is attributed to the post-medieval/modern period based on its alignment and similar characteristics to ditch 11404. The likely continuation of ditch 11402 is recorded within Trench 118 as ditch 11802.

Trench 117 (Figs 4 & 6)

5.43 Located at the western end of Trench 117, was north-west/south-east orientated ditch 11702. It measured 2.87m in width and was excavated to a depth of 0.4m without the base being reached. It had moderately sloping sides and a single fill (11703) of mottled mid brown grey clay silt, from which two fragments of post-medieval/modern CBM were recovered, as well as one sherd of Late Iron Age/Roman pottery, which are considered to be residual within this context.

5.44 The continuation of ditch 11702 is recorded in Trench 104 as ditches 10402 and 10404. Ditch 01702 corresponds with a field boundary depicted on the 1885 First edition Ordnance Survey Map and is coincidental with an anomaly depicted on the geophysical survey.

Trench 118 (Figs 4, 6 & 28)

5.45 A single north-west/south-east aligned ditch (11802) was observed at the centre of the trench, measuring 0.6m in width and 0.41m in depth (Fig. 28). It had steep sides and a rounded base. No dating evidence was recovered from its naturally deposited light blue grey clay silt fill (11803). A bulk soil sample recovered from this deposit recorded a small quantity of charcoal fragments as well as moderate number of mollusc shells.

5.46 Ditch 11802 runs parallel to ditches 11702 and 11404 and fits within the alignment of the current field system. As such, it is attributed to the post-medieval/modern period based on its alignment and similar characteristics to these ditches. The likely continuation of ditch 11802 is recorded within Trench 114 as ditch 11402.

Fig. 28 ditch 11802, looking north (1m scale)

Trench 121 (Figs 4, 6, 19 & 29)

5.47 Located towards the north-western end of Trench 121, north-east/south-west orientated pit/ditch terminus 12107 was observed cutting the fill 12106 of Romano-British ditch 12105 (Figs 29 and 19; section KK). It measured 1.19m in width and 0.74m in depth, with steeply sloping sides and a concave base. Post-medieval pottery was recorded within its single mid brown silty clay fill (12108).

Fig. 29 Pit/ditch terminus 12107, looking west (1m scale)

Undated

Trench 3 (Figs 4, 5, & 30)

5.48 Quarry pit 301 was located throughout the trench. It measured in excess of 20m long, in excess of 1.8m wide and was excavated to a depth of 0.98m deep without the base being reached (Fig. 30). No finds were recovered from its mixed mid brown grey clay and mid brown orange clay fill (302). Although no dating was recovered

from this feature, according to the previous landowner (pers. com.) it is believed to have been excavated during construction works related to the building of the nearby M42 motorway.

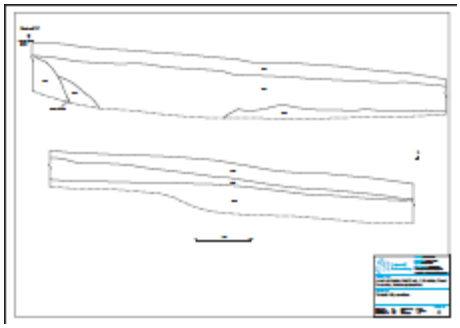
Fig. 30 Pit 301, looking north (1m scale)

Trenches 57 & 58 (Figs 4, 5, 31 & 32)

5.49 Quarry pit 5703 was located centrally within Trench 57 and measured over 10m wide by at least 1.3m deep, although its full depth could not be observed due to the limitations of excavation within the trench (Fig. 31). It was filled by a number of deliberately deposited silty sands and clays (5704 to 5709) from which no finds were recovered. Similar evidence of quarrying was observed at the centre of Trench 58, which potentially related to the feature observed in Trench 57. Pit 5803 measured 13.56m in width and 1.12m in depth, and was infilled by two deposits, dark grey brown silty clay 5805 sealed by mid red brown sandy silt 5804 (Fig. 32; section LL). No finds were recovered from the respective fills of quarry pits 5703 and 5803.

Fig. 31 Pit 5703, looking south (1m scale)

Fig. 32; 5803



Trenches 90 and 91 (Figs 4 & 6)

5.50 Further evidence of quarrying activity was observed within Trenches 90 and 91. Pit 9002 was located at the centre of Trench 90, with pit 9104 situated at the eastern end of Trench 91. It is considered likely that these two features form parts of one large quarry pit. Pit 9002 measured 17m in width, and remained unexcavated, whilst quarry pit 9104 measured over 21m wide and in excess of 2.1m deep. Both pits were filled by mixed deposits of mid grey blue compact clay and mid grey yellow compact silty clay from which no finds were recovered. An environmental sample (Sample 6) recovered from the fill 9103 of pit 9104 did not reveal any charred plant remains although some uncharred seeds of buttercup were.

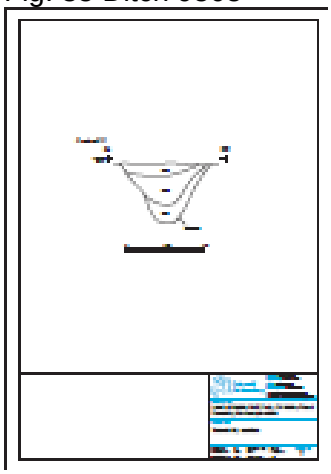
Trenches 94 & 95 (Figs 4, 6 & 33 to 36)

5.51 Located towards the southern end of Trench 94 was north-east/south-west orientated ditch 9403 (Fig. 33 & 34; section MM). It measured 1.5m in width and 0.4m in depth, with moderately sloping, concave sides and a rounded base. It contained a single fill of mid blue grey clay (9404) from which no finds were recovered. Ditch 9505 was recorded at the western end of Trench 95 and potentially represented the same feature as ditch 9403 (Fig. 35; section NN). It was aligned north-east/south-west and measured 1.16m wide by 0.75m deep, with steeply sloping, convex sides and a flat base. The ditch was filled initially by mid yellow grey clay silt 9507, overlain by light blue grey silt clay 9508, which in turn was sealed by mid grey brown sandy clay.

Fig. 33 Ditch 9403, looking west (1m scale)

Fig. 34

Fig. 35 Ditch 9505



5.52 A similarly north-east/south-west aligned ditch (9503) was located in the eastern part of Trench 95 (Fig 36; section OO). This feature measured 1.82m in width and 0.62m in depth and was recorded as having moderately steeply sloping, uneven sides and a flat base. It also contained multiple fills, comprising mid grey brown silt sand and gravels (9509), sealed by mid blue grey silty clay (9510), from which a small quantity of charcoal fragments along with a few mollusc shells were recovered (Sample 10) and finally naturally infilled by mid grey brown clay silt (9504). No finds were recovered from this feature, though its alignment, running parallel to ditch 9505, and possibly also ditch 9403, suggests that this feature may represent the existence of a trackway.

Trench 97 (Figs 4 & 6)

5.53 North-west/south-east orientated ditch 9703 was located at the eastern end of Trench 97. It measured 1.2m wide by 0.3m deep and had moderately sloping, straight sides and an uneven, slightly convex, base. The ditch contained a single fill (9704) of mid grey brown sandy silt, from which no datable evidence was recorded.

Trench 99 (Figs 4, 6, 37 to 41)

5.54 A group of pits (9902 and 9908) and a series of parallel north-west/south-east orientated ditches (9904, 9906 and 9910) were identified in in the central part of Trench 99. Sub-oval pit 9902 was partially revealed emanating from the southern baulk of the trench (Fig. 37; section PP). It measured in excess of 0.4m long, 0.78m wide and 0.5m deep, with steep sides and a rounded base. No finds were recovered from its single mid brown grey silty clay fill (9903) which was truncated across its eastern edge by ditch 9904.

5.55 Ditch 9904 measured 0.48m in width and 0.28m in depth (Figs 38 & 39; section QQ). It had steep, concave sides and a rounded base and was filled by light brown grey silty clay (9905). Situated *c.* 5m to the east of this feature was ditch 9906, which measured 0.59m wide by 0.19m deep and had moderately sloping sides and a concave base (Fig. 39; section RR). The fill (9907) of ditch 9906 comprised light brown grey silty clay. Ditch 9910 was located a further *c*. 7m to the east of ditch 9906 and measured 0.32m in width. No artefactual evidence was recovered from the respective fills of ditches 9904, 9906 and 9910, which may form the flanking ditches of a trackway, leading to the putative settlement identified to the north. The continuation of these ditches was observed within Trenches 101 and 110, however,

they were not observed beyond these trenches. No features of archaeological origin were predicted by the geophysical survey in the area of this trench.

Fig 36

Fig 37

Fig. 38 Ditch 9904, looking north-east (0.3mscale)

Fig. 39

5.57 A further individual pit (9908; Figs 40 & 41; section SS) was identified situated between ditches 9906 and 9910. It measured 0.89m wide and 0.4m deep, with moderately sloping, concave sides and a rounded base. No finds were recovered from its grey brown silty clay fill (9909). The function of these pits remains uncertain, though there is potential for pit 9908 to represent a ditch terminus.

Fig. 40 pit 9908, looking north-east (0.5m scale)

Trench 101 (Figs 4, 6 & 42)

5.58 North-east/south-west ditch 10102 was located in the south-eastern part of the trench (Fig. 42; section TT). It measured 0.57m in width and 0.16m in depth, with steeply sloping sides and a flat base. It contained a mid-blue grey sandy clay fill (10103), from which no finds were recovered. Ditches 10104 and 10106 measured 0.47m and 0.4m wide respectively and both contained similar mid blue grey fills (10105 and 10107), but were not further investigated.

5.59 The continuation of these ditches was observed within Trenches 99 and 110, however, they were not observed beyond these trenches. Their presence was not predicted by the geophysical survey.

Fig. 41

Fig. 42

Trench 106 (Figs 4, 6 & 43)

5.60 Circular pit 10608 measured 0.8m in width and 0.15m in depth, with uneven sides and a flat base (Fig. 43). No finds were recovered from its mid brown grey silty sand fill (10609). Although this feature was recorded as a pit, there remains the possibility that it actually represents rooting.

Fig. 43 Pit 10608, looking south-west (0.4m scale)

Trench 110 (Figs 4, 6, 44 & 45)

5.61 Ditches 11002, 11004 and 11006 were located within the south-western part of the trench (Fig. 44 and Fig. 45; sections UU, VV & WW). Ditch 11002 appeared to represent the continuation of ditch 9904/10106; Ditch 11004 similarly represents the continuation of ditch 9906/10104 and ditch 11006 matched the alignment of ditch 9908/10102. These features had broadly similar measurements, with ditch 11002 being 0.43m wide and 0.14m deep; ditch 11004 measuring 0.41m in width and 0.14m in depth. Ditch 11006 measured 0.5m wide by 0.13m deep. These features also had very similar profiles, with moderate, concave sides and rounded bases. They were also each infilled by naturally deposited light blue grey silty clay, which is potentially suggestive of their disuse occurring during a broadly similar period, although no dating evidence was recovered to support this assumption.

5.62 The continuation of these ditches was observed within Trenches 101 and 110, however, they were not observed beyond these trenches. With the exception of ditch 11006, these features did not correspond with anomalies identified through the geophysical survey.

Fig. 44 Ditch 11002, looking north-west (0.3m scale)

Trench 115 (Figs 4, 6, 46 & 47)

5.63 A group of pits were observed within the southern and central part of Trench 115. Intercutting pits 11506 and 11510 were identified at the south-eastern end of the trench (Fig. 46; section XX). Sub-oval pit 11506 was partially revealed emanating from the southwestern side of the trench. It measured in excess of 0.8m in length, 0.2m wide and 0.1m deep with a flat base and a moderately sloping northern side. No finds were recovered from its dark blue grey sandy silt fill (11507), which was cut along its north-eastern edge by circular pit 11510.

5.64 Pit 11510 measured 1.4m long, in excess of 1m wide and 0.18m deep with moderately sloping sides and a flat base. No finds were recovered from its mid yellow brown clay silt fill (11511).

Fig. 45

Fig. 46

5.65 Located towards the south-western end of the trench were intercutting pits 11504 and 11502 (Fig. 46; section YY and Fig. 47). Pit 11504 was partially revealed emanating from the south-western side of the trench. It was, as far as revealed, oval-shaped in plan and measured at least 0.8m in length, 0.45m in width and 0.23m in depth. It had

moderate sides and a flat base and was infilled by dark blue grey silty sand (11505), which was partially truncated along its north-eastern edge by pit 11502. Pit 11502 measured 1.35m long by 0.62m wide and 0.24m deep, with uneven sides and a flat base. No dateable evidence was recovered from their respective fills (11505 and 11503) of these features, and the function of the pits remains uncertain.

Fig. 47 Pits 11502 and 11504, looking east (1m scale)

5.66 Oval-shaped pit (11508) was located centrally within the trench (Fig. 46; section ZZ). It was 0.84m in length, 0.6m in width and 0.3m in depth, with moderately sloping sides and a concave base. It was filled by dark grey brown sandy silt (11509), from which no finds were recovered.

Trench 117 (Figs 4, 6 & 48 to 50)

5.67 Oval-shaped pit 11706 was identified toward the western end of the trench (Figs 48 & 49; section aa). It measured 0.78m long by 0.7m wide and 0.35m deep. It had steeply sloping sides and a flat base. No finds were recovered from the respective

fills of this feature, which comprised a basal fill of mid brown grey clay (11708), sealed by light brown grey clay silt (11707).

Fig. 48 Pit 11706, looking north-west (0.4m scale)

Fig 49

5.68 Located approximately 2m to the west of pit 11706, was north-west/south-east orientated ditch 11710 (Fig. 49; section bb & Fig. 50). It measured 0.52m wide and 0.29m deep, with steeply sloping sides and a flat base. Three fragments of animal bone were recovered from its mid grey brown clay silt fill (11711).

Fig. 50 ditch 11710, looking north-west (1m scale)

6. THE FINDS

6.1 Artefactual material is recorded from 12 deposits, the fills of ditches, pits and from the subsoil (Appendix B). The material was recovered by hand and from samples.

Pottery

6.2 The pottery recovered from the evaluation is recorded in Appendix B and discussed below. Recording of the finds assemblage was direct to an Excel spreadsheet; this now forms the basis of Appendix B (Table 1). The pottery was examined by context, using a x40 hand lens and quantified according to sherd count and weight per fabric type. The fabrics are described in Appendix B (Table 2) in accordance with the Historic England guidelines (Barclay 2016) and where appropriate the National Roman Fabric Reference Collection (Tomber and Dore 1998) or the Prehistoric Ceramics Research Group Guidelines (PCRG 2010).

6.3 The assemblage comprises 20 sherds (298g) of pottery recorded from nine deposits. The condition of the assemblage is moderate; however the majority of fractures and surfaces are abraded. The mean sherd weight is average for a largely Roman assemblage (18.38g).

Prehistoric

6.4 Three sherds (33g) of handmade pottery can be dated to the late prehistoric period. These are made in sandy fabrics with either micaceous (QM) or organic inclusions (QV), or in a shell-tempered fabric (SH). One sherd (QV) is recorded from pit fill 9606; the remaining two sherds are recorded from ditch fill 3005. On the basis of the fabrics these sherds most likely date to the Middle or Late Iron Age. Due to their lack of diagnostic features it has not been possible to refine the dating of this material.

Late Iron Age and Roman

6.5 A total of 13 sherds (261g) of pottery can be dated to the Late Iron Age or Roman period. One sherd (23g) of pottery made in sandy grog-tempered fabric UNS QG most likely dates to the Late Iron Age or early Roman period. The most commonly recorded fabric (6 sherds, 94g) is of sandy reduced wares (UNS RE); although it has not been possible to source the origin of these fragments, they are most likely of local production. Five sherds (108g) of shell-tempered pottery (UNS SH), again most likely of local production, are recorded from ditch fills 10409, 12104 and 3005. Two

sherds (14g) of unsourced white ware (UNS WW) is recorded from ditch fills 8103 and 12015. One sherd (12g) of imitation black burnished ware (IMT BB) is recorded from gully fill 11703.

6.6 There are very few regional or imported wares recorded. Three sherds (3g) of Lower Nene Valley Colour Coated ware (LNV CC) are recorded from ditch fills 12007 and 12104. These can be dated to the 2nd to 4th centuries AD. A very small sherd (1g) of unsourced Samian (SA) is also recorded from deposit 12007.

Summary

6.7 The entire ceramic assemblage comprises undecorated body sherds and more refined dating and analysis has not been possible.

Ceramic Building Material

6.8 A total of 18 fragments (1615g) of ceramic building material are recorded from seven deposits. Based on their fabric and thickness the majority of fragments can be dated to the Roman period (15 fragments, 1383g). The Roman material is made in fine sandy fabrics (fs), some with clay pellet inclusions (fscp), or coarse shelly (csh) fabrics. Roman tile fragments are recorded from ditch fills 10405, 10409, 12015, 12101 and 12106. Two possible imbrex fragments are recorded from ditch fills 10411 and 10409. Three fragments (232g) can be dated to the post-medieval period. One fragment of drainage pipe, made in a fine sandy fabric containing iron ore (fsfe), is recorded from ditch fill 10405, and two fragments of post-medieval tiles, made in a fine sandy fabric with limestone inclusions (fsl) and a medium sandy vesicular fabric are recorded from ditch fill 11703.

Glass

6.9 One fragment (14g) of transparent post-medieval glass is recorded from ditch fill 8103. It is possibly the base of a bowl or dish. The fragment has no other distinguishing features.

Stone

6.10 One fragment (40g) of possibly worked sandstone is recorded from ditch fill 10409. The fragment is approximately 12mm thick and could be associate with roofing material. An insignificant quantity of moderately or partly burnt stones was retrieved from the residues of samples 2 and 3; this material consisted of small fragments in poor condition and was discarded.

7. THE BIOLOGICAL EVIDENCE

Animal Bone

7.1 Animal bone amounting to 28 fragments (770g) was recovered from deposits 3005, 10409, 10604, 10605 and 11711, the fills of ditches 3004, 10408, 10602 and 11710. Artefactual material dating from the Late Iron Age/Early Roman to the Romano-British periods was also recovered from these features (See Table 3, Appendix C). The material was highly fragmented but well preserved enough to confirm the presence of cattle (*Bos taurus*), and sheep/goat (*Ovis aries/Capra hircus*) and horse (*Equus callabus*), each of which are to be expected in assemblages of these periods (Baker and Worley, 2014).

Late Iron Age/ Early Roman

7.2 A total 17 bones (264g) were recovered from deposit 3005. Cattle and sheep/goat were both identified from fragmented molar teeth or partial long bone shafts. No cut or chop marks that would suggest an origin in butchery waste were observed. Horse was identified from a single metacarpal bone. The recovery of identifiable bone was too low to provide any meaningful pattern of activity, limiting the drawing of any interpretative inference from species identification.

Romano-British

7.3 Six fragments (111g) were recovered from deposits 10409 and 10605. Cattle was the only species present, identified from a single molar, a femur shaft and a partial scapula. As with the preceding phase, the recovery of identifiable bone was low, and the bones present displayed no butchery related marks.

Undated

7.4 Five fragments (395g) were recovered from deposits 10604 and 11711 in a condition that bore a similarity to that seen in the Romano-British assemblage. Cattle was the only species present. Once again, no butchery marks were present, and the recovery was too low in infer any information beyond species identification.

Plant Macrofossils

7.5 A series of 10 environmental samples (100 litres of soil) were processed from a range of features from eight trenches to evaluate the preservation of palaeoenvironmental remains across the area and with the intention of recovering

environmental evidence of industrial or domestic activity on the site. One sample was taken from a later prehistoric pit, four samples from Late Iron Age/Roman ditches, and five samples from undated pits and ditches. It was also hoped that the environmental remains might provide some indication of the likely date of these undated features. The samples were processed by standard flotation procedures (CA Technical Manual No. 2).

7.6 In addition, a hand-picked piece of bark was collected from fill 10403 of undated ditch 10402 in Trench 104. This was unidentifiable to species.

7.7 Preliminary identifications of plant macrofossils are noted in Table 1 in Appendix C, following nomenclature of Stace (1997) for wild plants, and traditional nomenclature, as provided by Zohary *et al* (2012) for cereals. The presence of mollusc shells has also been recorded. Nomenclature is according to Anderson (2005) and habitat preferences according to Kerney (1999) and Davies (2008).

7.8 The flots varied in size with low to high numbers of rooty material and modern seeds. The charred material comprised varying levels of preservation.

Late Prehistoric

Trench 96

7.9 The assemblage recovered from fill 9606 (Sample 3) of pit 9605 contained a basal culm node fragment and a small quantity of charcoal fragments greater than 2mm. This assemblage may be reflective of dispersed material and provides no indication of the likely date of the pit.

Late Iron Age/Roman

Trench 30

7.10 A small assemblage of charcoal fragments but no charred plant remains was recorded from fill 3006 (Sample 1) of ditch 3003. There is no clear indication from the charred material, whether this assemblage is associated with domestic settlement or industrial activities and the assemblage may be representative of dispersed material. A few mollusc shells were observed, and these included those of the open country species *Vallonia costata* and the aquatic species *Anisus leucostoma*. *Anisus leucostoma* is a species which thrives in areas of seasonal flooding and desiccation.

Trench 120

7.11 Fill 12014 (Sample 8) from ditch 12012 contained a few charred remains including seeds oats/brome grass (*Avena/Bromus* sp.) and charcoal fragments. This assemblage may be reflective of dispersed material and does not assist with dating the feature.

7.12 A large number of mollusc shells were recovered from this ditch and these included those of the open country species *Helicella itala, Pupilla muscorum, Vertigo* sp., *Vallonia costata* and *Vallonia excentrica*, the intermediate species *Trochulus hispidus, Cepaea* sp. and *Cochlicopa* sp., the shade-loving species *Carychium* sp., *Discus rotundatus, Aegopinella nitidula* and sinestral *Vertigo*, and the aquatic species *Galba truncatula*. This assemblage may be indicative of a well-established open landscape with some longer, occasionally damp, grass in the vicinity of the ditch.

7.13 A high number of charred plant remains and a moderate quantity of charcoal fragments were recorded from fill 12007 (Sample 9) of ditch 12003. The cereal remains were dominated by hulled wheat (emmer or spelt (*Triticum dicoccum/spelta*)) grains, glume bases and spikelet fork fragments, with smaller amounts of barley (*Hordeum vulgare*) and possible free-threshing wheat (*Triticum turgidum/aestivum* type) grain fragments. A number of the grains and chaff elements were identifiable as being those of spelt wheat (*Triticum spelta*) and a few chaff elements as being those of emmer wheat (*Triticum dicoccum*). The other remains included seeds of oats/brome grass and hazelnut (*Corylus avellana*) shell fragments. This assemblage may be representative of dumped domestic settlement waste and indicative of crop processing taking place nearby. It is compatible with the Late Iron/Roman date for the feature.

7.14 The moderate number of mollusc shells recovered from ditch 12003 included those of the open country species *Helicella itala, Pupilla muscorum, Vertigo* sp., *Vallonia costata* and *Vallonia excentrica*, the intermediate species *Trochulus hispidus, Cepaea* sp. and *Cochlicopa* sp., the shade-loving species *Discus rotundatus* and *Aegopinella nitidula,* the marsh species Succinea/Oxyloma sp., and the aquatic species *Galba truncatula*. Again, this assemblage may be indicative of a well-established open landscape with some longer, occasionally damp, grass in the vicinity of the ditch.

Trench 121

7.15 The moderately small assemblage recorded from fill 12104 (Sample 5) of ditch 12103 included free-threshing wheat grain fragments and charcoal fragments. Free-threshing wheat became the predominant wheat species in this area from the Saxon period onwards (Greig 1991) so may be intrusive within this assemblage.

7.16 A moderate number of mollusc shells were noted from this ditch and these included those of the open country species *Vallonia costata, Vallonia excentrica, Vertigo* sp. and *Helicella itala*, the intermediate species *Trochulus hispidus*, and *Cochlicopa* sp. and the shade-loving species *Aegopinella nitidula* and *Clausilia bidentata*. This assemblage may be indicative of an open landscape with longer grass in and around the ditch.

Undated

Trench 91

7.17 No charred remains were recovered from quarry pit 9104 (Sample 6) although some uncharred seeds of buttercup (*Ranunculus* sp.) were noted. The sample does not assist with the interpretation or determination of the likely date of this feature.

Trench 95

7.18 The assemblage recovered from fill 9510 (Sample 10) of ditch 9503 contained a small quantity of charcoal fragments greater than 2mm and no charred plant remains. This assemblage may be reflective of dispersed material and provides no indication of the likely date of the ditch. A few mollusc shells, including those of the shade-loving species Aegopinella nitidula and Carychium sp., were noted.

Trench 96

7.19 A small number of indeterminate grain fragments and charcoal fragments were recovered from fill 9603 (Sample 2) of pit 9602. This assemblage may be representative of dispersed settlement waste material and provides no indication of the likely date of the pit.

Trench 106

7.20 The assemblage recovered from fill 10606 (Sample 4) of ditch 10602 contained a small quantity of charcoal fragments and a free-threshing wheat grain. This assemblage may be reflective of dispersed material and provides no clear indication

of the likely date of the ditch. The free-threshing wheat grain may be intrusive within this feature.

7.21 A moderate number of mollusc shells were noted from this ditch and these included those of the open country species *Vallonia costata, Vallonia excentrica, Pupilla muscorum, Vertigo* sp. and *Helicella itala*, the intermediate species *Trochulus hispidus*, *Cepaea* sp. and *Cochlicopa* sp., the shade-loving species *Aegopinella nitidula, Discus rotundatus, Acanthinula aculeata, Vitrea* sp*., sinestral Vertigo, Carychium* sp. and *Clausilia bidentata*, the marsh species Succinea/Oxyloma sp., and the aquatic species *Anisus leucostoma* and *Galba truncatula*. *Anisus leucostoma* is a species typical of areas of occasional flooding while *Acanthinula aculeata* favours deciduous woodland environments. This assemblage may be indicative of an open landscape with possibly some woodland edge/hedgerow environments in the vicinity. It also appears likely that there was some occasional flooding.

Trench 118

7.22 The assemblage recorded from fill 11803 (Sample 7) of ditch 11802 contained a small quantity of charcoal fragments greater than 2mm and no charred plant remains. This assemblage may be reflective of dispersed material and provides no indication of the likely date of the ditch.

7.23 A moderate number of mollusc shells were recovered from this ditch and these included those of the open country species *Vallonia costata, Vallonia excentrica, Vertigo* sp. and *Helicella itala*, the intermediate species *Trochulus hispidus*, *Punctum pygmaeum, Euconulus fulvus*, *Cepaea* sp. and *Cochlicopa* sp., the shade-loving species *Aegopinella nitidula, Aegopinella pura, Oxychilus cellarius, Vitrea* sp., *Discus rotundatus, Acanthinula aculeata,* sinestral *Vertigo, Carychium* sp., *Azeca goodalli, Cochlodina laminata* and *Clausilia bidentata*, and the aquatic species *Anisus leucostoma* and *Galba truncatula*. The rarity *Azeca goodalli* favours deciduous woodland, hedge banks and undisturbed scrubby environments. This assemblage may be indicative of an open landscape with possibly some woodland edge/hedgerow environments in the vicinity. It also appears likely that there was some occasional flooding.

8. DISCUSSION

8.1 The evaluation identified a concentration of archaeological remains within the eastern part of the site, with a low density of archaeological remains within the remainder of the site. Although a number of these features remain undated, the majority can be attributed to one of four broad periods; Middle to Late Iron Age, Late Iron Age to Roman, medieval and post-medieval/modern.

8.2 The results of the evaluation correlated well with the preceding geophysical survey, which suggested that settlement activity was concentrated within the north-eastern part of the site, comprising a concentration of enclosures, trackways and pits, with further peripheral settlement activity, agricultural ditches and furrows, located across the remainder of the site (CgMs 2014). Previous targeted evaluation of the site confirmed the presence of an intensive zone of Late Iron Age to Early Roman settlement activity comprising a series of enclosures, trackways and elements of field systems within the north-eastern part of the site (CgMs 2014).

8.3 The artefactual evidence suggests that archaeologically visible activity occurred within the eastern area of the site from the Middle Iron Age, with permanent settlement likely beginning during the Late Iron Age/Roman period. Features associated with medieval, post-medieval and modern land use were also recorded across the site.

8.4 A number of archaeological features were identified across the site, which remain undated. Ditches and pits, mostly located toward the eastern part of the site, were observed within Trenches 94, 95, 99, 101, 106, 110, 115 and 117. Evidence of quarrying activity was recorded in the western and central parts of the site, identified within Trenches 3, 57, 58, 90 and 91.

Middle to Late Iron Age (400 BC to 100 BC)

8.5 The evaluation identified slight evidence for Middle to Late Iron Age activity, concentrated within the eastern part of site within Trench 96. Pit 9605 was dated to the Middle to Late Iron Age based on a single fragment of pottery recovered from the surface of the feature. Pits 9603 and 9607 are tentatively ascribed to the same period based on their proximity to pit 9605.

8.6 The palaeoenvironmental evidence is not conclusive but may suggest dispersed domestic settlement within the period.

8.7 There is widespread evidence for Iron Age settlement within the wider region but at present there is only sparse evidence for Middle Iron Age activity within a 1km radius of the site This comprises a possible cremation burial and pit recorded at Monksmoor Farm, with their respective dates ranging from the Middle Bronze Age to Middle Iron Age and the Early to Middle Iron Age (Hancock 2006).

Late Iron Age to Roman (100 BC to AD 43)

8.8 The trial trench evaluation confirmed the presence of archaeological remains within the eastern part of the site, dating from the Late Iron Age to Roman periods, identified by the geophysical survey carried out by Stratascan in November 2013 (CgMs 2014). These remains form part of the periphery of the settlement investigated within the site in December 2013 (CgMs 2014).

8.9 Within the site the plan of the settlement is relatively incoherent, although it appears that the identified features form part of a Late Iron Age to Roman period settlement extending beyond the north-eastern boundary of the site.

8.10 The settlement is concentrated in an area within the north-eastern part of the site, situated on a south-east facing slope, lying at between 125m aOD and 135m aOD. The evidence from the evaluation and the geophysical survey suggests that this discrete area formed the focus of settlement activity with other areas of the site possibly utilised for agriculture as evidenced by the possible field system ditches. The evidence from the present evaluation comprised 11 ditches, representative of peripheral settlement activity and field boundaries, located within Trenches 104, 106, 117, 120 and 121. A further ditch, possibly representing an element of an outlying field systems, was identified within the western part of the site in Trench 30.

8.11 Ditches within Trenches 30, 104, 106, 120 and 121 indicate that Roman activity continued beyond the confines of the enclosures within the north-eastern part of the site. However, with the exception of a single ditch within Trench 30, no prehistoric or Roman activity was identified outside of the easternmost field of the evaluation, indicating that the focus of Roman settlement was limited to a relatively small area.

8.12 The artefactual evidence suggests that permanent settlement within the eastern area of the site occurred during the Late Iron Age to Roman period. The evaluation evidence is suggestive of small-scale occupation associated with agricultural activity within this part of the site and it is considered likely that this was focused on the enclosures identified by the geophysical survey. The Late Iron Age to Early Roman pottery assemblage is domestic in nature. Regional and imported fabrics make up only a small part of the assemblage, with the large majority of the assemblage being sandy reduced wares, likely to be local in origin. An imported Samian sherd from deposit 12007 is however of note as evidence for traded commodities.

8.13 Environmental samples were recovered from Trenches 30, 120 and 121. No meaningful interpretation of the palaeoeconomy can be ascertained from the remains sampled at this stage; however, the material evidence recovered points towards an agrarian subsistence with small quantities of charred cereal grains found. There is a small indication from these assemblages of settlement activities, including crop processing, taking place, especially in the area of Trenches 120 and 121, further confirming the settlement activity to the west of these trenches. These samples have shown that molluscs are preserved on the site, with their evidence suggesting that generally the local landscape appears to be a well-established open landscape with some evidence for environments prone to seasonal flooding and desiccation.

8.14 A total of 23 fragments (375g) of animal bone from Late Iron Age to Roman period contexts were recovered from the site, the species identified were horse, cattle and sheep/goat. The size of the recovered assemblage is about average for a settlement of this period and the overall make-up of the assemblage is not untypical of small-scale domestic rural settlement.

8.15 Evidence for Roman activity in the wider vicinity of the site comprises pits, ditches, field boundaries and find spots indicative of a widely settled landscape. Pottery evidence recovered from archaeological excavation suggests that a small Romano-British farmstead, located approximately 1km to the south-west, on the land around Middlemore Farm, was occupied during the 1st to 3rd centuries AD.

Medieval to modern (1540 to present)

8.16 The majority of the medieval to post-medieval/modern period evidence identified across the site appears to be related to agricultural activity.

Ridge and furrow

8.17 The evaluation identified a series of furrows orientated east/west, north-east/south-west and north-west/south-east within Trenches 6, 19, 22-24, 26-27, 32, 43, 50, 52-55, 59-61, 76, 105, 109 and 111. These represent partial elements of the former open field system and indicate that the area was utilised as arable land during the medieval period.

8.18 No dating evidence was recovered from these features, however, a medieval date for their initial construction is suggested, based on the morphology, as depicted on the geophysical survey, which shows a reversed S-shaped curve evident in their alignment and the spacing of the selions (individual strips) (Taylor 1975, 82; Rackham 1986, 167-9). The identified field alignments appear to respect one another and form parts of a contemporaneous field system, with the variation in the alignments of the furrows and the evidence from the geophysical survey taken to indicate that the site covers parts of three or more former open fields. The presence of furrows identified across the site indicates that the site formed part of the agricultural hinterland of Welton/Daventry during the medieval period.

Field Systems

8.19 The evaluation identified ditches and agricultural features across the site. The alignments of the ditches suggest a coherent, contemporaneous field system, which, based on historic mapping, finds and morphologically characteristic elements, developed organically from the sub-division of the medieval open fields.

8.20 The field system comprised ditches 402, 6502, 7102, 7203, 8102, 8202, 8303, 9105, 10402, 10404, 10703, 11402, 11404, 11702, 11802, 12003 and 12105. The majority of the ditches correspond with field boundaries depicted on the First Edition Ordnance Survey Map of 1885. The remaining field boundary ditches fit within the general alignment of the surrounding field systems depicted on historic and current Ordnance Survey mapping. Based on morphological characteristics these field systems predominantly relate to Parliamentary Enclosures of the post-medieval period, with partial surviving elements of earlier medieval strip fields.

821 A large quarry pit located within the western part of the site may relate to construction activity connected with the building of the M42 motorway.

Undated

8.22 Further pits and ditches were revealed across the site which did not contain any diagnostic artefacts. However, several of these can be tentatively phased based on location, morphology and/or characteristics.

8.23 Further evidence of possible Roman activity comprises the flanking ditches of a possible trackway identified within Trenches 99, 101 and 110, as ditches 9904, 9906, 9910, 10102, 10104, 10106, 11002, 11004 and 11006. Although no datable material was recovered from these ditches, the trackway appears to lead to, and from, the settlement identified to the north-east.

8.24 Ditches 9403, 9503 and 9505, likewise appear to form the possible flanking ditches of a further putative trackway, however, although the ditches are aligned towards the Roman settlement within the site, they are also close in orientation to the medieval to modern field system established within the site and as such definitive interpretation is not possible.

8.25 Four large pits, 5703, 5803, 9002 and 9104, were recorded within the northern part of the site. Pits 9003 and 9103 were located close to the existing farm complex and appear to form parts of one large pit. A series of extant ponds, of similar dimensions are located to the north and north-east of this feature, which were first depicted on the First Edition Ordnance Survey Map of 1885. These features may be contemporaneous, likely representing either localised quarrying, or deliberately dug ponds. The pits within Trenches 57 and 58 are likewise interpreted as forming a single pit. The full extent and use of these large pits remain unclear, but they are thought likely to relate to localised quarrying.

8.26 The remaining undated ditches are of uncertain origin and cannot be definitively attributed with either the Iron Age, Roman or medieval to modern remains recorded on site. Similarly, the undated pits located within Trenches 99, 106, 115 and 117 cannot be attributed to any of the identified periods of activity.

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APPENDIX A: CONTEXT DESCRIPTIONS

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
1	100	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown friable grey silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.4	
1	101	Layer		Natural	Mid brown grey compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
2	200	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
2	201	Layer		Colluvium	Mid orange brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.5	
2	202	Layer		Natural	Light orange brown compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
3	300	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.32	
3	301	Cut		Quarry pit	Large quarry pit. Full extent not observed	N/A	N/A	>0.98	
3	302	Fill	301	Fill of quarry pit	Mixed material; mid brown grey clay and mid brown orange clay	N/A	N/A	>0.98	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
4	400	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.37	
4	401	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
5	500	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.18	
5	501	Layer		Natural	Light orange/grey brown silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
6	600	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
6	601	Layer		Natural	Mid brown orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
6	602	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W with shallow sides and irregular base	>1.0	2.2	0.13	
6	603	Fill	603	Fill of furrow	Mid grey brown compact silty clay	>1.0	2.2	0.13	
6	604	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		2.4		
6	605	Fill	605	Fill of furrow	Mid grey brown compact silty clay		2.4		
6	606	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		1.9		
6	607	Fill	607	Fill of furrow	Mid grey brown compact silty clay		1.9		
6	608	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		2.3		
6	609	Fill	609	Fill of furrow	Mid grey brown compact silty clay		2.3		
6	610	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		>1.4		
6	611	Fill	610	Fill of furrow	Mid grey brown compact silty clay		>1.4		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
7	700	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.24	
7	701	Layer		Natural	Mid brown orange sandy clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
8	800	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.26	
8	801	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown sandy clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
9	900	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.23	
9	901	Layer		Natural	Mid brown orange sandy clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
10	1000	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
10	1001	Layer		Natural	Mid brown orange clayey sand	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
11	1100	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
11	1101	Layer		Natural	Light brown orange clayey sand	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
12	1200	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.23	
12	1201	Layer		Natural	Light/mid brown/grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
13	1300	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.25	
13	1301	Layer		Natural	Mid brown orange clayey sand	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
14	1400	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
14	1401	Layer		Natural	Mid brown orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
15	1500	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.32	
15	1501	Layer		Natural	Light/mid brown orange clayey sand	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
16	1600	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.24	
16	1601	Layer		Natural	Mid brown orange clayey sand	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
17	1700	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
17	1701	Layer		Subsoil	Mid yellow brown friable sandy/clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.4	
17	1702	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown and yellow friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
18	1800	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.28	
18	1801	Layer		Subsoil	Mid yellow brown friable sandy/clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.6	
18	1802	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
19	1900	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.35	
19	1901	Layer		Natural	Light yellow orange friable sandy/silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
19	1902	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		2.2		
19	1903	Fill	1902	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown sandy silt		2.2		
19	1904	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		4.0		
19	1905	Fill	1904	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown sandy silt		4.0		
19	1906	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		3.4		
19	1907	Fill	1906	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown sandy silt		3.4		
19	1908	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		3.0		
19	1909	Fill	1908	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown sandy silt		3.0		
19	1910	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		>2.5		
19	1911	Fill	1910	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown sandy silt		>2.5		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
20	2000	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.35	
20	2001	Layer		Natural	Mid red brown friable sandy clay with gravels	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
21	2100	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.38	
21	2101	Layer		Natural	Mid red brown friable sandy clay with gravels	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
22	2200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.42	
22	2201	Layer		Natural	Mid red brown friable sandy clay with gravels	N/A	N/A	N/A	
22	2202	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		1.4		
22	2203	Fill	2202	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown sandy silt		1.4		
22	2204	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		2.3		
22	2205	Fill	2204	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown sandy silt		2.3		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
23	2300	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.28	
23	2301	Layer		Natural	Mid yellow orange sandy clay/ light grey yellow compact clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
23	2302	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		1.9		
23	2303	Fill	2302	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown sandy silt		1.9		
23	2304	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		1.4		
23	2305	Fill	2304	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown sandy silt		1.4		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
24	2400	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.32	
24	2401	Layer		Natural	Mid yellow orange sandy clay/ light grey yellow compact clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
24	2402	Cut		Furrow	Aligned east/west, unexcavated		3.0		
24	2403	Fill	2402	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown sandy silt		3.0		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
25	2500	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.28	
25	2501	Layer		Natural	Light yellow grey/mid orange yellow friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
26	2600	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.36	
26	2601	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow sandy friable silt	N/A	N/A	N/A	
26	2602	Layer		Furrow	Aligned NE/SW, unexcavated		1.8		
26	2603	Fill	2602	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown sandy silt		1.8		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
27	2700	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.35	
27	2701	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow sandy friable silt	N/A	N/A	N/A	
27	2702	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NE/SW, unexcavated		1.7		
27	2703	Fill	2702	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown compact sandy silt		1.7		
27	2704	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NE/SW, unexcavated		2.0		
27	2705	Fill	2704	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown compact sandy silt		2.0		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
28	2800	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.32	
28	2801	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
29	2900	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
29	2901	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
30	3000	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.35	
30	3001	Layer		Natural	Mid red brown silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
30	3002	Cut		Ditch	Aligned N/S with shallow, concave sides	>1.0	4.4	>0.76	
30	3003	Fill	3003	Fill of ditch	Mid grey brown friable silty clay	>1.0	4.0	0.32	
30	3004	Fill	3003	Fill of ditch	Dark brown grey friable silty clay	>1.0	4.14	0.32	
30	3005	Fill	3004	Fill of ditch	Mid yellow brown friable sandy clay	>1.0	4.16	0.38	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
31	3100	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.3	
31	3101	Layer		Redeposited natural	Mid green grey compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.32	
31	3102	Layer		Natural	Mid brown orange compact sandy silt	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
32	3200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.4	
32	3201	Layer		Natural	Mid red brown friable sandy clay with gravels	N/A	N/A	N/A	
32	3202	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		>1.2		
32	3203	Fill	3202	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown sandy silt		>1.2		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
33	3300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.33	
33	3301	Layer		Natural	Mid brown orange gravelly sand/light blue grey compact clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
34	3400	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
34	3401	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown compact sandy silt	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
35	3500	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.28	
35	3501	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown compact sandy silt	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
36	3600	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brown grey friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.3	
36	3601	Layer		Natural	Mid yellow grey compact clay/mid orange brown sandy silt with gravels	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
37	3700	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.32	
37	3701	Layer		Natural	Mid red brown silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
38	3800	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
38	3801	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown sandy/clayey silt	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
39	3900	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
39	3901	Layer		Natural	Light orange brown compact clayey silt	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
40	4000	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.33	
40	4001	Layer		Natural	Light orange brown compact clayey silt	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
41	4100	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
41	4101	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown/ light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
42	4200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
42	4201	Layer		Subsoil	Mid brown grey compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.1	
42	4202	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow/ mid orange brown compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
43	4300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
43	4301	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
43	4302	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NE/SW, unexcavated		1.35		
43	4303	Fill	4302	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown friable clayey silt		1.35		
43	4304	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NE/SW, unexcavated		0.95		
43	4305	Fill	4304	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown friable clayey silt		0.95		
43	4306	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NE/SW, unexcavated		0.95		
43	4307	Fill	4306	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown friable clayey silt		0.95		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
44	4400	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.32	
44	4401	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
45	4500	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.35	
45	4501	Layer		Natural	Mid red brown silty sand with gravels and light grey brown friable sandy clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
46	4600	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
46	4601	Layer		Natural	Mid red brown silty sand with gravels and light grey brown friable sandy clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
47	4700	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.27	
47	4701	Layer		Natural	Light grey brown friable sandy clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
47	4702	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NE/SW, unexcavated		0.8		
47	4703	Fill		Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown compact sandy silt		0.8		
47	4704	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NE/SW, unexcavated		1.5		
47	4705	Fill		Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown compact sandy silt		1.5		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
48	4800	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.35	
48	4801	Layer		Natural	Mid red orange silty sand/light grey orange friable sandy clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
49	4900	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
49	4901	Layer		Subsoil	Mid brown grey sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.1	
49	4902	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow compact sandy clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
50	5000	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.28	
50	5001	Layer		Subsoil	Mid orange brown compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.22	
50	5002	Layer		Natural	Light orange brown compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
51	5100	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.25	
51	5101	Layer		Subsoil	Mid orange brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.55	
51	5102	Layer		Natural	Red mottled light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
52	5200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.27	
52	5201	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
52	5202	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NE/SW, unexcavated		1.1		
52	5203	Fill	5202	Fill of furrow	Mid orange brown compact silty clay		1.1		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
53	5300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
53	5301	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown/ light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
53	5302	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NE/SW, unexcavated		1.65		
53	5303	Fill	5302	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown clayey silt		1.65		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
54	5400	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.27	
54	5401	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown/ light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
54	5402	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NE/SW, unexcavated		1.6		
54	5403	Fill	5402	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown friable clayey silt		1.6		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
55	5500	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.3	
55	5501	Layer		Natural	Light yellow grey compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
55	5502	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NE/SW, unexcavated		1.2		
55	5503	Fill	5502	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown friable clayey silt		1.2		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
56	5600	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.3	
56	5601	Layer		Subsoil	Mid grey brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	1.1	
56	5602	Layer		Natural	Light yellow grey compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
57	5700	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.3	
57	5701	Layer		Subsoil	Mid grey brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.25	
57	5702	Layer		Natural	Mid red brown sandy silt with patches of mid blue grey clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
57	5703	Cut		Quarry pit	Large pit of unknown shape with steep concave sides	>10.0	>1.0	1.3	
57	5704	Fill	5703	Fill of quarry pit	Mid yellow brown compact clay			0.9	
57	5705	Fill	5703	Fill of quarry pit	Dark grey brown friable silty sand			0.33	
57	5706	Fill	5703	Fill of quarry pit	Mid brown yellow compact clay			0.18	
57	5707	Fill	5703	Fill of quarry pit	Dark grey brown friable silty sand			0.2	
57	5708	Fill	5703	Fill of quarry pit	Dark brown red loose silty sand			0.33	
57	5709	Fill	5703	Fill of quarry pit	Mid grey yellow compact clay			0.3	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
58	5800	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.26	
58	5801	Layer		Subsoil	Mid grey brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.41	
58	5802	Layer		Natural	Light yellow grey compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
58	5803	Cut		Quarry pit	Large pit of unknown shape with steep, straight sides	>1.8	13.56	>0.9	
58	5804	Fill	5803	Fill of quarry pit	Dark red brown friable sandy silt			>0.9	
58	5805	Fill	5803	Fill of quarry pit	Dark grey brown friable silty clay			>0.54	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
59	5900	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.21	
59	5901	Layer		Subsoil	Mid grey brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.5	
59	5902	Layer		Natural	Light yellow grey compact silty	N/A	N/A	N/A	
59	5903	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NE/SW with shallow sides and a rounded base	>1.0	0.7	0.06	
59	5904	Fill	5904	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown friable sandy silt	>1.0	0.7	0.06	
59	5905	Cut		Furrow	Aligned E/W, unexcavated		0.7		
59	5906	Fill	5905	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown friable sandy silt		0.7		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
60	6000	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.22	
60	6001	Layer		Subsoil	Mid orange brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.35	
60	6002	Layer		Natural	Dark grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
60	6003	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NE/SW with moderate sides and a rounded base		1.35		
60	6004	Fill	6003	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown friable clayey silt		1.35		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
61	6100	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.32	
61	6101	Layer		Subsoil	Mid grey brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.22	
61	6102	Layer		Natural	Light yellow grey compact silty	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
62	6200	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.3	
62	6201	Layer		Subsoil	Mid grey brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.5	
62	6202	Layer		Natural	Light yellow grey compact silty	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
63	6300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.27	
63	6301	Layer		Subsoil	Mid orange brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.18	
63	6302	Layer		Natural	Red mottled light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
64	6400	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.25	
64	6401	Layer		Subsoil	Mid orange brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.45	
64	6402	Layer		Natural	Red mottled light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
65	6500	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.27	
65	6501	Layer		Natural	Mid grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
65	6502	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE with moderate sides and rounded base	>1.0	1.08	0.38	
65	6503	Fill	6502	Fill of ditch	Orange mottled dark brown grey compact silty clay	>1.0	1.08	0.38	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
66	6600	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.2	
66	6601	Layer		Subsoil	Mid brown orange friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.2	
66	6602	Layer		Natural	Mid grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
67	6700	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.35	
67	6701	Layer		Natural	Mid grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
68	6800	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
68	6801	Layer		Natural	Mid grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
69	6900	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.28	
69	6901	Layer		Natural	Light grey/orange yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
70	7000	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
70	7001	Layer		Natural	Mid grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
71	7100	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
71	7101	Layer		Natural	Mid grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
71	7102	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE with steep, straight sides and rounded base	>1.0	0.9	0.37	
71	7103	Fill	7102	Fill of ditch	Mid brown grey compact silty clay	>1.0	0.9	0.37	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
72	7200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.27	
72	7201	Layer		Natural	Light grey brown compact clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
73	7300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
73	7301	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
74	7400	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.25	
74	7401	Layer		Subsoil	Mid orange brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.95	
74	7402	Layer		Natural	Red mottled light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
75	7500	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.35	
75	7501	Layer		Subsoil	Mid orange brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.85	
75	7502	Layer		Natural	Red mottled light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
76	7600	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.4	
76	7601	Layer		Natural	Light blue grey compact clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
77	7700	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.35	
77	7701	Layer		Subsoil	Mid brown yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.65	
77	7702	Layer		Natural	Mid grey yellow compact sandy clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
78	7800	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.27	
78	7801	Layer		Subsoil	Mid brown yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.45	
78	7802	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
79	7900	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.28	
79	7901	Layer		Subsoil	Mid red orange friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.12	
79	7902	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
80	8000	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.32	
80	8001	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
81	8100	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
81	8101	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
81	8102	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE with steep sides	>1.0	2.04	0.72	
81	8103	Fill	8102	Fill of ditch	Mid orange brown friable silty clay	>1.0	2.04	1.58	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
82	8200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A		
82	8201	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
82	8202	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE , unexcavated		1.53		
82	8203	Fill	8202	Fill of ditch	Mid orange brown friable silty clay		1.53		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
83	8300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.28	
83	8301	Layer		Natural	Mid brown yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
83	8302	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE , unexcavated		0.85		
83	8303	Fill	8302	Fill of ditch	Mid brown grey compact silty clay		0.85		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
84	8400	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.28	
84	8401	Layer		Natural	Mid brown yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
85	8500	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brown grey friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.32	
85	8501	Layer		Subsoil	Mid yellow brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.4	
85	8502	Layer		Natural	Patches of mid grey blue silty clay and mid orange brown sandy silts and gravels	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
86	8600	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brown grey friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.3	
86	8601	Layer		Subsoil	Mid yellow brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.22	
86	8602	Layer		Natural	Patches of mid grey blue silty clay and mid orange brown sandy silts and gravels	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
87	8700	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brown grey friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.32	
87	8701	Layer		Natural	Patches of mid grey blue silty clay and mid orange brown sandy silts and gravels	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
88	8800	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
88	8801	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
89	8900	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.27	
89	8901	Layer		Subsoil	Mid brown yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.25	
89	8902	Layer		Natural	Light grey yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
90	9000	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.38	
90	9001	Layer		Natural	Light grey/orange yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
90	9002	Cut		Quarry pit	Large quarry pit	>17.0	>1.8		
90	9003	Fill	9002	Fill of quarry pit	Very mixed deposit of mid grey blue compact clay, mid grey yellow compact silty clay and dark yellow grey clayey silt	>17.0	>1.8		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
91	9100	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
91	9101	Layer		Natural	Light grey/orange yellow compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
91	9103	Fill	9104	Fill of quarry	Very mixed deposit of mid grey blue compact clay, mid grey yellow compact silty clay and dark yellow grey clayey silt	>21.0	>1.8	>2.1	
91	9104	Cut		Quarry pit	Large quarry pit covering western half of trench, sondage excavated	>21.0	>1.8	>2.1	
91	9105	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NE/SW with moderately steep, convex sides and flat base	>1.0	1.64	0.65	
91	9106	Fill	9105	Fill of ditch	Mid grey blue friable silty clay	>1.0	0.71	0.16	
91	9107	Fill	9105	Fill of ditch	Mixed mid orange grey and mid blue grey friable clayey silt	>1.0	1.3	0.34	
91	9108	Fill	9105	Fill of ditch	Mid orange grey friable clayey silt	>1.0	1.64	0.15	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
92	9200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown loose silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.27	
92	9201	Layer		Subsoil	Mid orange brown compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.23	
92	9202	Layer		Natural	Mid yellow brown compact clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
93	9300	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brown grey friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.25	
93	9301	Layer		Subsoil	Mid yellow brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.07	
93	9302	Layer		Natural	Patches of mid grey blue silty clay and mid orange brown sandy silts and gravels	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
94	9400	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brown grey friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.27	
94	9401	Layer		Subsoil	Mid yellow brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.27	
94	9402	Layer		Natural	Patches of mid grey blue silty clay and mid orange brown sandy silts and gravels	N/A	N/A	N/A	
94	9403	Cut		Ditch	Aligned E/W with moderate concave sides and rounded base	>1.0	1.5	0.4	
94	9404	Fill	9404	Fill of ditch	Mid blue grey friable clay	>1.0	1.5	0.4	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
95	9500	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brown grey friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.26	
95	9501	Layer		Subsoil	Mid yellow brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.22	
95	9502	Layer		Natural	Patches of mid grey blue silty clay and mid orange brown sandy silts and gravels	N/A	N/A	N/A	
95	9503	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NE/SW with moderate convex sides and a rounded base	>1.0	1.82	0.62	
95	9504	Fill	9503	Fill of ditch	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	>1.0	1.62	0.2	
95	9505	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE with steep sides and rounded base	>1.0	1.16	0.75	
95	9506	Fill	9505	Fill of ditch	Mid grey brown compact silty clay	>1.0	0.99	0.16	
95	9507	Fill	9505	Fill of ditch	Mid yellow grey friable clayey silt	>1.0	1.16	0.23	
95	9508	Fill	9505	Fill of ditch	Light blue grey compact silty clay	>1.0	1.03	0.37	
95	9509	Fill	9503	Fill of ditch	Mixed mid brown orange/mid grey brown loose silty sand with gravels	>1.0	0.72	0.12	
95	9510	Fill	9503	Fill of ditch	Mid grey blue tenacious silty clay	>1.0	1.26	0.34	

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96	9600	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brown grey friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.35	
96	9601	Layer		Subsoil	Mid yellow brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.25	
96	9602	Layer		Natural	Patches of mid grey blue silty clay and mid orange brown sandy silts and gravels	N/A	N/A	N/A	
96	9603	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE with steep convex sides and rounded base	>1.0	1.02	0.65	
96	9604	Fill	9603	Fill of ditch	Dark grey brown compact clayey silt	>1.0	1.02	0.65	
96	9605	Cut		Pit	Oval pit	>1.5	>0.5		
96	9606	Fill	9605	Fill of pit	Mid grey brown compact clayey silt	>1.5	>0.5		
96	9607	Cut		Pit	Circular pit with moderate sides and flat base	>0.4	0.88	0.16	
96	9608	Fill	9607	Fill of pit	Mid brown grey compact clayey silt	>0.4	0.88	0.16	
96	9609	Cut		Posthole	Circular posthole with vertical sides and flat base		0.22	>0.17	
96	9610	Fill	9609	Fill of posthole	Mid grey brown compact clayey silt		0.22	0.17	

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97	9700	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brown grey friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.3	
97	9701	Layer		Subsoil	Mid yellow brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.12	
97	9702	Layer		Natural	Patches of mid grey blue silty clay and mid orange brown sandy silts and gravels	N/A	N/A	N/A	
97	9703	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE with moderate, concave sides and flat base	>1.0	1.2	0.3	
97	9704	Fill	9704	Fill of ditch	Mid grey brown friable sandy silt	>1.0	1.2	0.3	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
98	9800	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brown grey friable silty clay	N/A	N/A		
98	9801	Layer		Subsoil	Mid yellow brown friable sandy silt	N/A	N/A		
98	9802	Layer		Natural	Patches of mid grey blue silty clay and mid orange brown sandy silts and gravels	N/A	N/A	N/A	
98	9803	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NW/SE, unexcavated		2.0		
98	9804	Fill	9803	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown friable sandy silt		2.0		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
99	9900	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.4	
99	9901	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown silty sand	N/A	N/A	N/A	
99	9902	Cut		Pit	Oval shaped pit with steep sides and flat base	0.78	>0.4	0.5	
99	9903	Fill	9902	Fill of pit	Mid brown grey compact silty clay	0.78	>0.4	0.5	
99	9904	Cut		Gully	Aligned NE/SW with steep sides and rounded base	>1.0	0.48	0.28	
99	9905	Fill	9904	Fill of gully	Light brown grey compact silty clay	>1.0	0.48	0.28	
99	9906	Cut		Gully	Aligned SW/NE with moderate sides and rounded base	>1.0	0.59	0.19	
99	9907	Fill	9906	Fill of gully	Light brown grey compact silty clay	>1.0	0.59	0.19	
99	9908	Cut		Ditch	Aligned N/S with moderate, concave sides and rounded base	>1.0	0.89	0.4	
99	9909	Fill	9908	Fill of ditch	Mid grey brown compact silty clay	>1.0	0.89	0.4	
99	9910	Cut		Gully	Aligned NE/SW, unexcavated	>1.0	0.32		
99	9911	Fill	9910	Fill of gully	Mid blue grey friable sandy clay	>1.0	0.32		

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100	10000	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
100	10001	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown silty sand	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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101	10100	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
101	10101	Layer		Natural	Light grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
101	10102	Cut		Gully	Aligned NW/SE with steep sides and flat base	>1.0	0.57	0.16	
101	10103	Fill	10102	Fill of gully	Mid blue grey friable sandy clay	>1.0	0.57	0.16	
101	10104	Cut		Gully	Aligned N/S, unexcavated	>1.8	0.47		
101	10105	Fill	10104	Fill of gully	Mid blue grey friable sandy clay	>1.8	0.47		
101	10106	Cut		Gully	Aligned N/S, unexcavated	>1.8	0.4		
101	10107	Fill	10106	Fill of gully	Mid blue grey friable sandy clay	>1.8	0.4		

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102	10200	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
102	10201	Layer		Natural	Mid grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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104	10400	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.35	
104	10401	Layer		Natural	Mid grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
104	10402	Cut		Ditch	Aligned N/S with steep, concave sides and rounded base	>1.0	0.3	0.22	
104	10403	Fill	10402	Fill of ditch	Light grey brown friable sandy silt	>1.0	0.3	0.22	
104	10404	Cut		Ditch	Aligned E/W with uneven sides and rounded base	>1.0	0.88	0.32	
104	10405	Fill	10404	Fill of ditch	Mid grey brown friable sandy silt with red mottling	>1.0	0.88	0.32	
104	10406	Cut		Ditch	Aligned E/W with shallow sides and rounded base	>1.0	0.5	0.15	
104	10407	Fill	10406	Fill of ditch	Light yellow grey loose silty sand	>1.0	0.5	0.15	
104	10408	Cut		Ditch	Aligned E/W with moderate, uneven sides and flat base	>1.0	0.7	0.2	
104	10409	Fill	10508	Fill of ditch	Mid brown grey loose silty sand	>1.0	0.7	0.2	
104	10410	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE, unexcavated	>1.8	1.25		
104	10411	Fill	10410	Fill of ditch	Mid yellow brown friable silty clay	>1.8	1.25		

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105	10500	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
105	10501	Layer		Natural	Mid grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
105	10502	Cut		Furrow	Aligned N/S, unexcavated		1.25		
105	10503	Fill	10503	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown compact sandy silt		1.25		
105	10504	Cut		Furrow	Aligned N/S, unexcavated		3.4		
105	10505	Fill	10505	Fill of furrow	Mid yellow brown compact sandy silt		3.4		

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
106	10600	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.29	
106	10601	Layer		Natural	Mid grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
106	10602	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NE/SW with moderate, convex sides; base not observed	>1.0	3.66	1.1	
106	10603	Fill	10602	Fill of ditch	Mid brown grey friable silty clay	>1.0	3.2	0.24	
106	10604	Fill	10602	Fill of ditch	Light brown grey friable silty sand	>1.0	0.86	0.12	
106	10605	Fill	10602	Fill of ditch	Mid brown grey friable clayey silt	>1.0	2.16	0.32	
106	10606	Fill	10602	Fill of ditch	Mid brown grey friable clayey silt	>1.0	3.68	0.5	
106	10607	Layer		Subsoil	Mid grey brown friable silty sand	N/A	N/A		
106	10608	Cut		Pit	Circular pit with moderate, concave sides and flat base	0.62	0.8	0.15	
106	10609	Fill	10608	Fill of pit	Mid brown grey friable silty sand	0.62	0.8	0.15	

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107	10700	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.4	
107	10701	Layer		Subsoil	Mid yellow brown compact silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.32	
107	10702	Layer		Natural	Mid grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
107	10703	Cut		Ditch	Aligned E/W with moderate, concave sides and rounded base	>1.0	1.32	0.56	
107	10704	Fill	10703	Fill of ditch	Mid brown grey compact silty clay	>1.0	1.32	0.56	

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108	10800	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.4	
108	10801	Layer		Natural	Mid grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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109	10900	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
109	10901	Layer		Natural	Mid brown orange silty clay with patches of orange grey clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
109	10902	Cut		Furrow	Aligned N/S, unexcavated		1.8		
109	10903	Fill	10902	Fill of furrow	Mid grey brown compact silty clay		1.8		
109	10904	Cut		Furrow	Aligned N/S, unexcavated		1.2		
109	10905	Fill	10904	Fill of furrow	Mid grey brown compact silty clay		1.2		
109	10906	Cut		Furrow	Aligned N/S, with moderate sides and flat base	>1.0	1.15	0.2	
109	10907	Fill	10906	Fill of furrow	Mid grey brown compact silty clay	>1.0	1.15	0.2	

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110	11000	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.3	
110	11001	Layer		Natural	Light grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
110	11002	Cut		Gully	Aligned NW/SE with moderate, concave sides and rounded base	>1.0	0.43	0.14	
110	11003	Fill	11002	Fill of gully	Light blue grey compact silty clay	>1.0	0.43	0.14	
110	11004	Cut		Gully	Aligned NW/SE with moderate concave sides and rounded base	>1.0	0.41	0.14	
110	11005	Fill	11004	Fill of gully	Light blue grey compact silty clay	>1.0	0.41	0.14	
110	11006	Cut		Gully	Aligned NW/SE with moderate, concave sides and rounded base	>1.0	0.5	0.13	
110	11007	Fill	11006	Fill of gully	Light blue grey compact silty clay	>1.0	0.5	0.13	
110	11008	Cut		Tree bole	Sub-circular shaped tree bole with irregular sides and irregular base	0.71	0.69	0.19	
110	11009	Fill	11008	Fill of tree bole	Dark brown grey friable clayey silt	0.71	0.69	0.19	
110	11010	Cut		Furrow	Aligned NW/SE with shallow concave sides and irregular base	>1.0	1.39	0.2	
110	11011	Fill	11010	Fill of furrow	Dark grey brown friable clayey silt	>1.0	1.39	0.2	

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111	11100	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.32	
111	11101	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown silty sand	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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112	11200	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.4	
112	11201	Layer		Subsoil	Mid orange brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.16	
112	11202	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown silty sand	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
113	11300	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.4	
113	11301	Layer		Natural	Mid orange brown silty sand	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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114	11400	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.32	
114	11401	Layer		Natural	Light grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
114	11402	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE with moderate, concave sides and rounded base	>1.0	0.51	0.22	
114	11403	Fill	11402	Fill of ditch	Light blue grey compact silty clay	>1.0	0.51	0.22	
114	11404	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NE/SW with moderate, concave sides and rounded base	>1.0	1.13	0.25	
114	11405	Fill	11404	Fill of ditch	Mid brown grey compact silty clay	>1.0	1.13	0.25	
114	11406	Layer		Alluvium	Mid yellow grey compact clay	N/A	N/A		
114	11407	Fill	11404	Fill of ditch	Sandstone lining	>1.0			

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115	11500	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.33	
115	11501	Layer		Natural	Light grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
115	11502	Cut		Pit	Oval pit with shallow, concave sides and flat base	>1.35	0.62	0.24	
115	11503	Fill	11502	Fill of pit	Dark grey brown friable silty sand	>1.35	0.62	0.24	
115	11504	Cut		Pit	Oval pit with shallow, concave sides and flat base	>0.45	>0.8	0.23	
115	11505	Fill	11504	Fill of pit	Dark grey brown friable silty sand	>0.45	>0.8	0.23	
115	11506	Cut		Tree throw	Irregular shaped tree throw with moderate, concave sides and flat base	>0.8	>0.2	0.1	
115	11507	Fill	11506	Fill of tree throw	Dark blue grey friable silty sand	>0.8	>0.2	0.1	
115	11508	Cut		Pit	Oval pit with moderate, concave sides and rounded base	>0.6	0.84	0.3	
115	11509	Fill	11508	Fill of pit	Dark grey brown friable sandy silt	>0.6	0.84	0.3	
115	11510	Cut		Tree bole	Oval pit with moderate, concave sides and flat base	>0.88	>0.4	0.18	
115	11511	Fill	11510	Tree bole	Mid yellow brown friable clayey silt	>0.88	>0.4	0.18	

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116	11600	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.33	
116	11601	Layer		Natural	Mid grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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117	11700	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.28	
117	11701	Layer		Natural	Mid grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
117	11702	Cut		Gully	Aligned NW/SE with moderate sides, base not observed	>1.0	2.87	>0.4	
117	11703	Fill	11702	Fill of gully	Mid brownish grey friable clayey silt with orange mottling	>1.0	2.87	>0.4	
117	11704	Cut		Tree throw	Irregular shaped tree throw, unexcavated	0.42	0.5	0.1	
117	11705	Fill	11704	Fill of tree throw	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	0.42	0.5	0.1	
117	11706	Cut		Pit	Oval pit with steep sides and flat base	0.78	0.7	0.35	
117	11707	Fill	11706	Fill of pit	Light brow grey friable clayey silt	0.78	0.7	0.12	
117	11708	Fill	11706	Fill of pit	Mid orange brown compact clay	0.78	0.7	0.23	
117	11709	Layer		Subsoil	Mid orange brown friable clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.28	
117	11710	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE with steep sides and flat base	>1.0	0.52	0.29	
117	11711	Fill	11710	Fill of ditch	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt	>1.0	0.52	0.29	
117	11712	Cut		Tree throw	Irregular shaped tree throw, unexcavated				
117	11713	Fill	11712	Fill of tree throw	Mid grey brown friable clayey silt				

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118	11800	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.32	
118	11801	Layer		Natural	Mid orange grey clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
118	11802	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE with steep, concave sides and rounded base	>1.0	0.6	0.41	
118	11803	Fill	11802	Fill of ditch	Light blue grey compact clayey silt	>1.0	0.6	0.41	
118	11804	Cut		Tree bole	Oval shaped tree bole with moderate, concave sides and flat base	0.65	0.44	0.1	
118	11805	Fill	11804	Fill of tree bole	Dark brown grey friable clayey silt	0.65	0.44	0.1	
118	11806	Cut		Tree bole	Irregular shape tree bole with moderate, concave sides and irregular base		0.85	0.11	
118	11807	Fill	11806	Fill of tree bole	Dark brown grey friable clayey silt		0.85	0.11	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
119	11900	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.39	
119	11901	Layer		Natural	Light grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
120	12000	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.31	
120	12001	Layer		Subsoil	Mid orange brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.66	
120	12002	Layer		Natural	Light grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
120	12003	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE with moderate, concave sides and rounded base	>1.0	2.0	0.78	
120	12004	Fill	12003	Fill of ditch	Mid blue grey friable clay	>1.0	0.66	0.07	
120	12005	Fill	12003	Fill of ditch	Light blue grey friable clayey sand	>1.0	0.24	0.05	
120	12006	Fill	12003	Fill of ditch	Light blue grey friable clay	>1.0	1.12	0.1	
120	12007	Fill	12003	Fill of ditch	Light blue grey friable clayey sand	>1.0	2.0	0.61	
120	12008	Cut		Gully	Aligned NW/SE with steep sides and rounded base	>1.0	0.47	0.42	
120	12009	Fill	12008	Fill of gully	Mid grey brown friable sandy clay	>1.0	0.47	0.42	
120	12010	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE with steep, convex sides and rounded base	>1.0	1.1	0.46	
120	12011	Fill	12010	Fill of ditch	Mid grey brown friable sandy clay	>1.0	1.1	0.46	
120	12012	Cut		Ditch	Aligned NW/SE with moderate, concave sides and rounded base	>1.0	1.43	0.63	
120	12013	Fill	12012	Fill of ditch	Dark grey brown friable sandy silt	>1.0	0.8	0.16	
120	12014	Fill	12012	Fill of ditch	Mid orange brown friable sandy silt	>1.0	1.1	0.21	
120	12015	Fill	12012	Fill of ditch	Mid grey brown friable clayey sand	>1.0	1.43	0.27	

Trench No.	Context No.	Type	Fill of	Context interpretation	Description	L (m)	W (m)	D (m)	Spot-date
121	12100	Layer		Topsoil	Mid grey brown sandy silt	N/A	N/A	0.35	
121	12101	Layer		Subsoil	Mid orange brown clayey silt	N/A	N/A	0.6	
121	12102	Layer		Natural	Light grey orange silty clay	N/A	N/A	N/A	
121	12103	Cut		Ditch	Aligned E/W with moderate sides and rounded base	>1.0	1.38	1.04	
121	12104	Fill	12103	Fill of ditch	Mid yellow brown friable silty clay	>1.0	1.38	0.72	
121	12105	Cut		Ditch	Aligned E/W with moderate, concave sides and rounded base	>1.0	2.24	0.81	
121	12106	Fill	12105	Fill of ditch	Dark brown grey compact silt clay	>1.0	2.24	0.81	
121	12107	Cut		Ditch	Aligned E/W with steep, straight sides and rounded base	>1.0	1.19	0.74	
121	12108	Fill	12107	Fill of ditch	Dark brown grey compact silty clay	>1.0	1.19	0.74	
121	12109	Layer		Colluvium	Mid grey brown friable silty clay	N/A	N/A	0.3	
121	12110	Fill	12103	Fill of ditch	Mid brown grey friable silty clay	>1.0	2.32	0.32	

APPENDIX B: THE FINDS

Table 1: Finds concordance

Context	Class	Sample No.	Description	Fabric Code	Count	Weight (g)	Spot-date
3005	LIA/Roman Pottery		Sandy grog-tempered fabric	UNS QG	1	23	LIA/ERB
	Late Prehistoric Pottery		Handmade shell-tempered fabric	SH	1	3	
	Late Prehistoric Pottery		Sandy micaceous fabric	QM	1	22	
	LIA/Roman Pottery		Shell-tempered ware	UNS SH	1	36	
8103	Roman Pottery		Sandy white ware	UNS WW	1	4	POST-MED
	Glass		Transparent ornamental glass		1	14	
9606	Late Prehistoric Pottery		Sand and organic-tempered fabric	QV	1	8	MIA-LIA
10405	CBM		Drainage pipe x 1, Tile x 1	fs/fsfe	2	139	POST-MED
10407	CBM			fscp	2	63	RB
10409	Roman Pottery		Sandy reduced ware	UNS RE	2	19	RB
	Roman Pottery		Shell-tempered ware	UNS SH	1	44	
	CBM		Tile x 3	fs/csh	3	550	
	Worked stone		Sandstone		1	40	
10411	CBM		Tile x 1	csh	1	257	RB
10605	Roman Pottery		Sandy reduced ware	UNS RE	1	55	RB
11703	CBM		Tile x 1	fsl/msv	2	140	POST-MED
	LIA/Roman Pottery		Imitation black burnished ware	IMT BB	1	12	
12007	Roman Pottery	9	Nene Valley Colour Coated ware	**LNV CC**	2	1	C2-C4
	Roman Pottery	9	Samian (unsourced)	SA	1	1	
12015	Roman Pottery		Sandy white ware	UNS WW	1	10	RB
	Roman Pottery		Sandy reduced ware	UNS RE	1	3	
	CBM		Tile x 1	csh	1	252	
12101	Roman Pottery		Sandy reduced ware	UNS RE	1	12	RB
	CBM			sh	1	38	
12104	Roman Pottery	5	Nene Valley Colour Coated ware	**LNV CC**	1	2	C2-C4
	Roman Pottery	5	Shell-tempered ware	UNS SH	3	28	
12106	Roman Pottery		Sandy reduced ware	UNS RE	1	5	RB
	CBM		Tile x 5	csh/fscp	6	176	

* National Roman Fabric Reference Collection codes in bold

Table 2: Fabric description

Period	Fabric Description	Fabric Code*	Count	Weight (g)
Late Prehistoric Pottery	Rare moderately-well sorted sub rounded coarse quartz sand ≤1mm, common well sorted fine gold mica	QM	1	22
	Sparse moderately sorted sub-rounded medium quartz sand ≤0.75mm, rare burnt organic inclusions ≤2mm	QV	1	8
	Abundant moderately sorted medium shell ≤2mm	SH	1	3
LIA/Roman Pottery	Sandy grog-tempered fabric	UNS QG	1	23
	Imitation black burnished ware	IMT BB	1	12
	Sandy reduced ware	UNS RE	6	94
	Shell-tempered ware	UNS SH	3	118
	Sandy white ware	UNS WW	2	14
	Lower Nene Valley colour coated ware	**LNV CC**	3	3
	Samian (unsourced)	SA	1	1
Total			20	298

* National Roman Fabric Reference Collection codes in bold

APPENDIX C: THE PALAEOENVIRONMENTAL EVIDENCE

Table 3: Identified animal species by fragment count (NISP) and weight and context.

Cut	Fill	BOS	O/C	EQ	LM	MM	Total	Weight (g)
Late Iron Age/Early Roman								
3004	3005	1	4	1	2	9	17	264
Romano-British								
10408	10409	2					2	68
10602	10605	1			1	2	4	43
Subtotal		**3**			**1**	**2**	**6**	**111**
Undated								
10602	10604	2					2	394
11710	11711					3	3	1
Subtotal		**2**				**3**	**5**	**395**
Total		**6**	**4**	**1**	**3**	**14**	**28**	
Weight		**547**	**19**	**150**	**33**	**21**	**770**	

BOS = Cattle; O/C = sheep/goat; SUS = pig; EQ = Horse; Canid = dog; LM = cattle size mammal; MM = sheep sized mammal

Table 4: Assessment table of the palaeoenvironmental remains

Feature	Context	Sample	Vol (L)	Flot size (ml)	Roots %	Grain	Chaff	Cereal Notes	Charred Other	Notes for Table	Charcoal > 4/2mm	Other
Late Prehistoric												
Trench 96 - Pit												
9605	9606	3	20	10	65	-	*	Basal culm node	-	-	*/*	-
Late Iron Age/Roman												
Trench 30 - Ditch												
3003	3006	1	20	10	75	-	-	-	-	-	*/**	Moll-t (*), Moll-f (*)
Trench 120 - Ditches												
12012	12014	8	20	30	25	-	-	-	*	*Avena/Bromus*	-/*	Moll-t (*****), Moll-f (*)
12003	12007	9	20	60	5	****	***	Hulled wheat (lots) inc. spelt, barley + ?f-t wheat grain frags, glume base + spikelet fork frags inc. spelt + emmer	***	*Avena, Bromus, Corylus avellana* shell frag	**/***	Mol-t (****), Moll-f (*)
Trench 121 - Ditch												
12103	12104	5	20	50	20	**	-	F-t wheat grain frags	-	-	*/**	Moll-t (****)
Undated												
Trench 91 - Quarry Pit												
9104	9103	6	20	25	20	-	-	-	-	(uncharred *Ranunculus*)	-	-
Trench 95 - Ditch												
9503	9510	10	20	5	70	-	-	-	-	-	-/*	Moll-t (*)
Trench 96 - Pit												
9602	9603	2	20	1	50	*	-	Indet. grain	-	-	*/**	-

								frag				
Trench 106 - Ditch												
10602	10606	4	20	60	50	*	-	F-t wheat grain frag	-	-	*/**	Moll-t (*****), Moll-f (*)
Trench 118 - Ditch												
11802	11803	7	20	75	25	-	-	-	-	-	*/**	Moll-t (*****), Moll-f (**)

Key: * = 1–4 items; ** = 5–19 items; *** = 20–49 items; **** = 50–99 items; ***** = >100 items, Moll-t = land snails, Moll-f = aquatic snails

APPENDIX D: OASIS REPORT FORM

PROJECT DETAILS		
Project Name	Land at Mickle Well Park, Daventry, Northamptonshire	
Short description	An archaeological evaluation was undertaken by Cotswold Archaeology between January and February 2019 of land at Mickle Well Park, Daventry, Northamptonshire. The fieldwork comprised the excavation of one hundred and twenty trenches. Archaeological interest in the site is derived from its location within an area containing known archaeological remains. Previous geophysical survey of the site identified anomalies interpreted as rectilinear enclosures, most likely indicative of Romano-British settlement. Subsequent targeted archaeological evaluation confirmed the presence of archaeological remains in the form of rectilinear enclosures, concentrated in the north-eastern part of the site. The current evaluation further recorded the remains of a settlement which forms the periphery of the previously identified Late Iron Age and Roman settlement, which was investigated in December 2013. In the current site, the remains consisted of a series of ditches and pits. The settlement lies on a south facing slope at between 125m and 135m above Ordnance Datum within the eastern part of the site. The evaluation and geophysical survey results suggest that north-eastern part of the site was the main focus of settlement with parts of the remainder of the site utilised for agriculture. Medieval plough furrows, the remains of the open field system that once surrounded the village of Welton/Daventry, were encountered across the entire site; variations in their alignment indicates that the site covers parts of three or more former open fields. The evaluation identified ditches and agricultural features within the remainder of the site from which a small amount of material dateable to the post-medieval and modern periods was recovered. The majority of these ditches are recorded on historic mapping. The remaining field boundary ditches, furrows and land drains fit within the general alignment of the surrounding field systems depicted on historic and current Ordnance Survey mapping. Five large pits unevenly distributed across the western and central parts of the site remained undated, although they are likely to relate to post-medieval to modern quarrying. The flanking ditches of two possible trackways were identified within the eastern part of the site, but remained undated. Further pits and ditches, predominantly concentrated in the eastern part of the site, could not be attributed to either the identified Iron Age, Roman or medieval to modern activity.	
Project dates	21 January to 8 February 2019	
Project type	Archaeological evaluation	
Previous work	Heritage Assessment (CgMs 2014), geophysical survey (Stratascan 2013), archaeological watching brief (ULAS 2017) archaeological evaluation (ULAS 2013)	
Future work	Unknown	
PROJECT LOCATION		
Site Location	Land at Mickle Well Park, Daventry, Northamptonshire	
Study area (M^2/ha)	37ha	
Site co-ordinates	457100 265400	
PROJECT CREATORS		
Name of organisation	Cotswold Archaeology	
Project Brief originator	CgMs	
Project Design (WSI) originator	Cotswold Archaeology	
Project Manager	Stuart Joyce	
Project Supervisor	Ralph Brown	
MONUMENT TYPE	LIA/Early Roman and post-medieval/modern ditch system, furrows	
SIGNIFICANT FINDS	LIA/Early Roman and post-medieval/modern pottery	
PROJECT ARCHIVES	Intended final location of archive (museum/Accession no.)	Content (e.g. pottery, animal bone etc)
Physical	Northampton Museum	Pottery, animal bone,

		CBM, glass
Paper	Northampton Museum	Pro-forma recording sheets, registers WSI
Digital	Northampton Museum	Database, digital photos
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