

**Archaeological Excavations at Briary Close,
Westbrook, Margate, Kent
Interim Report**

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Abstract

Swale and Thames Survey Company was commissioned by Future Homes Limited to undertake an archaeological Watching Brief and subsequent sample excavation at Briary Close, Westbrook, Margate, Kent. Excavation started in October 2021 due to a new residential development. Following an archaeological evaluation, which found a number of Prehistoric finds and features a full strip, map and sample investigation was requested by Senior Archaeological Officer from Kent County Council across the area comprising circa 3966m² and archaeological watching brief across the area comprising 1122m². The excavation has revealed a dense number of finds and features from Neolithic Period to Early Iron Age comprising pits, post-holes, causewayed and curvilinear ditches, semi-enclosures and standalone cremation burial.

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1 Introduction

1.1 Project background

1.1.1 Swale & Thames Survey Company (SWAT Archaeology) was commissioned by Future Homes Limited to undertake an archaeological excavation on land at Briary Close, Westbrook, Margate, Kent.

1.1.2 A formal planning application for the proposed development (Ref: OL/TH/16/1473) was refused by Thanet District Council, under the Town and Country Planning Acts, on the 5 June 2017. An appeal was lodged against this decision (Ref: APP/Z2260/W/17/3178576) and permission was granted for the development on 14 December 2017 with conditions. Condition 5 stated:

No development shall take place until a Written Scheme of Investigation of site archaeology shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The scheme shall include an assessment of significance and research questions and:

- i) The programme and methodology of site investigation and recording;*
- ii) The programme for post investigation assessment;*
- iii) The provision to be made for analysis of the site investigation and recording;*
- iv) The provision to be made for publication and dissemination of the analysis and records of the site investigation;*
- v) The provision to be made for archive deposition of the analysis and records of the site investigation;*
- vi) The nomination of a competent person or persons/organisation to undertake the works set out within the Written Scheme of Investigation.*

1.1.3 In addition to the above, Condition 6 stated:

No development shall take place other than in accordance with the Written Scheme of Investigation approved under condition 5.

1.1.4 To fulfill Condition 5 of the appeal decision Human Planning Consultancy Limited, on behalf of clients, have commissioned Canterbury Archaeological Trust to produce Written Scheme of Investigation.

1.1.5 In consultation with the Kent County Council (KCC) Archaeological Officer and in mitigation of the potential impact that the proposed works may have on the potential buried

archaeological resource, and in accordance with the provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework (2018), a staged programme of archaeological works was proposed as the most appropriate archaeological response to the proposed scheme.

1.1.6 Swale & Thames Survey Company (SWAT Archaeology) has been nominated to undertake the archaeological works.

1.1.7 The staged programme involved:

- As a first stage, targeted trial trenching of thirteen trenches was carried out as described below, and in accordance with the approved specification.
- Following the evaluation, the scope of further works was agreed with the county archaeologist and the local planning authority. These included more detailed excavation and watching brief and where feasible appropriate, design measures to accommodate the preservation of archaeology;
- Strip, map and sample excavation required sufficient time that was granted by the client to allow the archaeological contractor to complete work;
- The timescale associated with watching brief on areas of the development was largely dictated by the development programme;
- Following the completion of all fieldworks, a programme of post excavation works including assessment, analysis and reporting following the methodology and requirements set out in approved specification will be undertaken.

2 Aims of the Fieldwork

2.1 General Aims

2.1.1 The excavation aimed to ascertain the range of past activities, and specifically whether the evidence suggests transient human activity, domestic/settled occupation, burial, industry, agriculture and/or combinations of these. Linked to this, the excavations also sought to recover stratified assemblages of artefacts and ecofacts which are capable of analysis and research to assist in determining the date and function of the site during different periods.

2.1.2 In accordance with the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists' guidance (CIfA 2014a), the general aims of the programme of archaeological works were to:

- to examine the archaeological resource within the site;
- within a framework of defined research objectives, to seek a better understanding of and compile a lasting record of that resource;
- to analyse and interpret the results; and disseminate them.

2.1.3 All excavation and post-excavation procedures were conducted in compliance with the standards outlined in the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists' Standard and Guidance Archaeological Excavation (2014a).

2.2 Project Objectives

2.2.1 The objective of the archaeological mitigation was to identify, excavate, record and analyse any significant archaeological remains that will be disturbed by the proposed development. The physical archaeological remains were to be replaced by a detailed record and a better understanding of the past activities that have taken place on the site, thereby contributing to an increased knowledge of Kent's past and providing a resource for future research and education.

2.2.2 The objective of the Strip, Map and Sample approach was to understand the broad pattern of settlement dynamics and how key elements of the archaeological landscape (sites, activities, deposits and finds) relate to each other spatially, functionally and chronologically. In accordance with the Specification, this phase of the archaeological works aimed to;

- Record the presence or absence of any elements of the archaeological resource, both artefacts and ecofacts of archaeological interest across the area of the development;
- To ascertain the extent, depth below ground surface, depth of deposit if possible, character, date and quality of any such archaeological remains by sample excavation;
- To determine the state of preservation and importance of the archaeological resource if present and to assess the past impacts on the site and pay particular attention to the character, height/depth below ground level, condition, date and significance of any archaeological deposits.

2.2.3 Opportunity was also taken during the course of the strip map and sample investigation to place and assess any archaeology revealed within the context of other recent archaeological investigations in the immediate area and within the setting of the local landscape and topography. Specific research questions that may be answered are to include:

- Understand the nature, character, date and extent of any prehistoric, medieval and post-medieval activities present on site.
- Place and assess any archaeological remains revealed within context of cartographic evidence and within the wider landscape

2.2.4 In general, the work is to ensure compliance with the archaeological planning condition and to publish the results on line, or through OASIS and/or in a local journal.

3 Summary of Results

Feature Types

3.1 Introduction and Summary Results

- 3.1.1 The excavation at Briary Close, Westbrook, Margate, Kent started in October 2021 due to a new residential development. Following an archaeological evaluation, which found a number of Prehistoric finds and features comprising pit, post-holes, causewayed and curvilinear ditches, enclosures, semi-enclosures and cremation burial. A full strip, map and sample was started across the circa 3966m² area and archaeological watching brief was carried out across the area comprising 1122m². The excavation has revealed a dense number of finds and features from Neolithic Period to Early Iron Age.
- 3.1.2 In overall statistics 513 individual context numbers were assigned of which 145 relates to individual feature-cuts comprising linear-ditch or gully with discrete features of various kind including pits, post-holes and cremated burial.
- 3.1.3 Neolithic features relate to large rectilinear enclosure revealed in south-eastern extent of the site and to three discrete features exposed in central-western part of PDA. A Middle Bronze Age semi-ring ditch and cremation burial were exposed in south-western quadrant of the site to the west of linear features in NNW-SSE alignment that represents potential boundary of coaxial settlement were exposed in western extent of the site. Within southern extent of the site the boundary become 'causewayed' and two curvilinear ditches are turning to the south-west plausibly forming another sort of enclosure.
- 3.1.4 A ring-ditch exposed in north-western corner of the site produced a number of potsherds dated to Early Iron Age. Preliminary dating placed these features in Late Bronze Age to Early Iron Age mainly due to later re-cuts that produced more dating evidence than initial cuts. Also several discrete features of similar date were exposed within western extent of the site and a large pit accompanied by small undated discrete feature were exposed at eastern side in south-western-central part of the site just before boundary ditch become 'causewayed'.
- 3.1.5 Another ring-ditch but small was partially exposed in north-western corner of the site and remains undated as its backfill sequence did not produced any suitable chronological evidence. Also a number of discrete features inside ring-ditch 2250 were sample excavated but produced only small amount of useful dating material. Several sparsely distributed discrete features were investigated to the west of linear boundary but produced only limited dating evidence.

Periods Represented

- 3.2 The earliest period in site's chronological sequence in Neolithic Period, followed by Middle Bronze Age, Late Bronze Age and Early Iron Age.
- 3.3 There were also infrequent surface finds comprising Medieval potsherds although no directly-related features of that period were exposed during the course of fieldwork.

Artefactual Remains

- 3.4 A 7209g of pottery sherds were collected during the course of investigation.
- 3.5 Approximately 256kg of worked flint including debitage pieces, tools and flint cores were retrieved from investigated features.

4 Summary of Potential

- 4.1 The archaeological excavations at Briary Close, Westbrook, Margate in Kent have revealed multiple phases of residential, ritual and agrarian activity on the site; provisionally dated using the flint and ceramic assemblages to the Neolithic Period, Middle Bronze Age, Late Bronze Age and Early Iron Age. On-going assessment should allow for more detailed interpretation of the various elements of the site into areas of: potential domestic activity, funerary monuments/activity and agrarian environment.
- 4.2 With regards to the level of importance several elements of the investigations are particularly interesting; The Neolithic rectilinear enclosure and Middle Bronze Age cremation burial are likely to be of national interest and agrarian activity to be of regional importance.
- 4.3 The particular attention will be given to them with the forthcoming assessment where detailed pottery and special finds assessments should reveal more detailed 'picture' of site's chronology and provide more detailed insight into interpretation and function of enclosure and each ring-ditch.

5 Staff Structures and Specialists

- 5.1 Text The post excavation team consists primarily of self-employed specialist staff. The post-excavation project will be directed by Dr Paul Wilkinson of SWAT Archaeology. Table below details it.

Name	Position
Dr Paul Wilkinson, MCIFA	Publication Manager
David Britchfield	Project Manager
Bartek Cichy	Project Officer

Kent Osteological Research Analysis	Human Remains Specialist
Archaeological Research Services	Cremation Specialist
Carol White	Animal bone specialist
Chris Butler	Flint Specialist
Lisa Gray	Environmental Specialist
Mike Allen	Archaeobotany
Paul Hart	Ceramic Specialist
Bartek Cichy	Archaeological illustrator
Bartek Cichy	Photography/ Photogrammetry

6 Timetable

- 6.1 At the present time, during a COVID-19 pandemic, it is difficult to establish definite time frame for the assessments works to be carried out. This is largely due to the possibility of potential isolation of some of the staff and the limitation placed on the transporting and exchanging of archives.
- 6.2 That said, it is hoped that with the majority of material already distributed a draft Assessment Report will be ready within 1-2 months of the publication of this Interim Report.

7 Acknowledgements

- 7.1 7.1 SWAT Archaeology would like to thank Future Homes for commissioning the project. Thanks are also extended to Simon Mason, Senior Archaeological Officer at Kent County Council for his advice and assistance. Thanks are also extended to Dr Mike Allen for his scientific input and advice.
- 7.2 This report was prepared by Peter Cichy on behalf of SWAT Archaeology. 14/05/2021.

Appendix A – Archive Index

Item	Number of Items	Number of Fragments	Condition
Context records	513		Good, digitised
A1 plan sheets	-		-
A3 plan sheets	-		-
A4 drawing sheets	69	Plan, section	Good, digitised
Small finds	1		Bronze arrowhead
Digital photographs	2636		Site archive ground and aerial shots
Flint	256kg		Unwashed, To be processed
Pottery	1798		individual sherds, washed weight 7209g
Fired clay	yes		
CBM	yes		
Stone (other)	no		
Metalwork	1		Bronze Arrowhead
Glass	no		
Slag	no		
Human bone	1	TBC	Calcined material
Animal bone	yes		infrequent
Soil samples (No.)	240		To be processed/ analysed
Soil samples (bags/tubs)	239		To be processed/ analysed
Soil samples (Monolith)	1		Processing is on-going

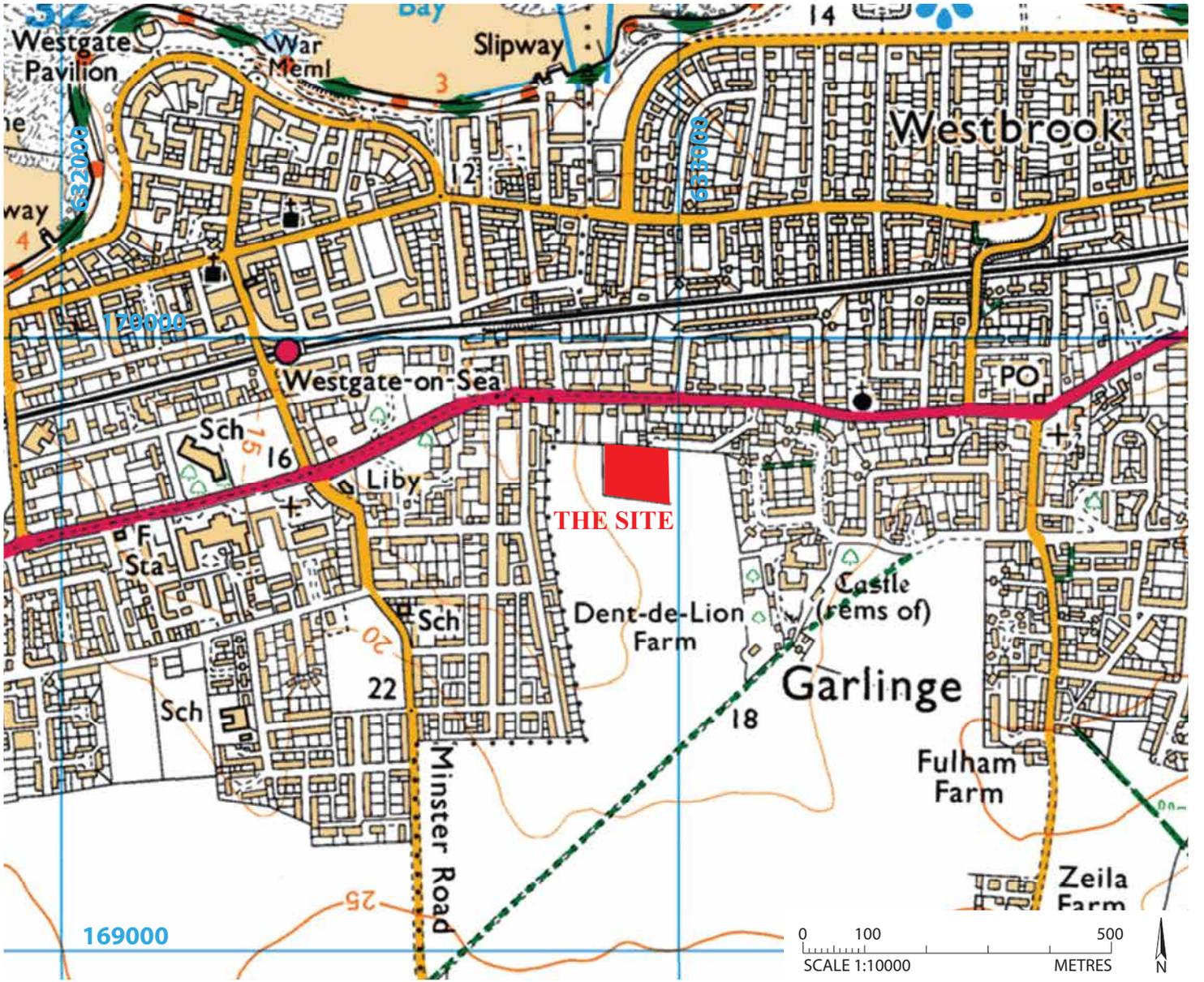
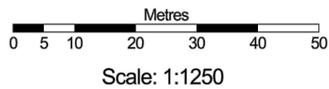


Figure 1: Site location map, scale 1:10000.



Serial number: 2280956



- Watching Brief area
- SMS area
- SMS/preservation area

Figure 2: Site location in relation to OS map, scale 1:1250.



- KEY:**
Phases (Pottery dating):
- Mid Neolithic (3350BCE-2900BCE)
 - Mid Bronze Age (1150BCE-1350BCE)
 - Mid to Late Bronze Age (1150BCE-900BCE)
 - Early Iron Age (900BCE-600BCE)

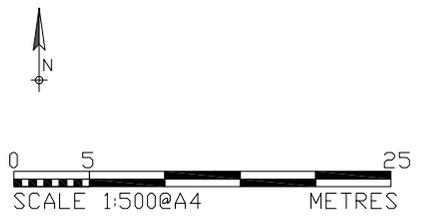
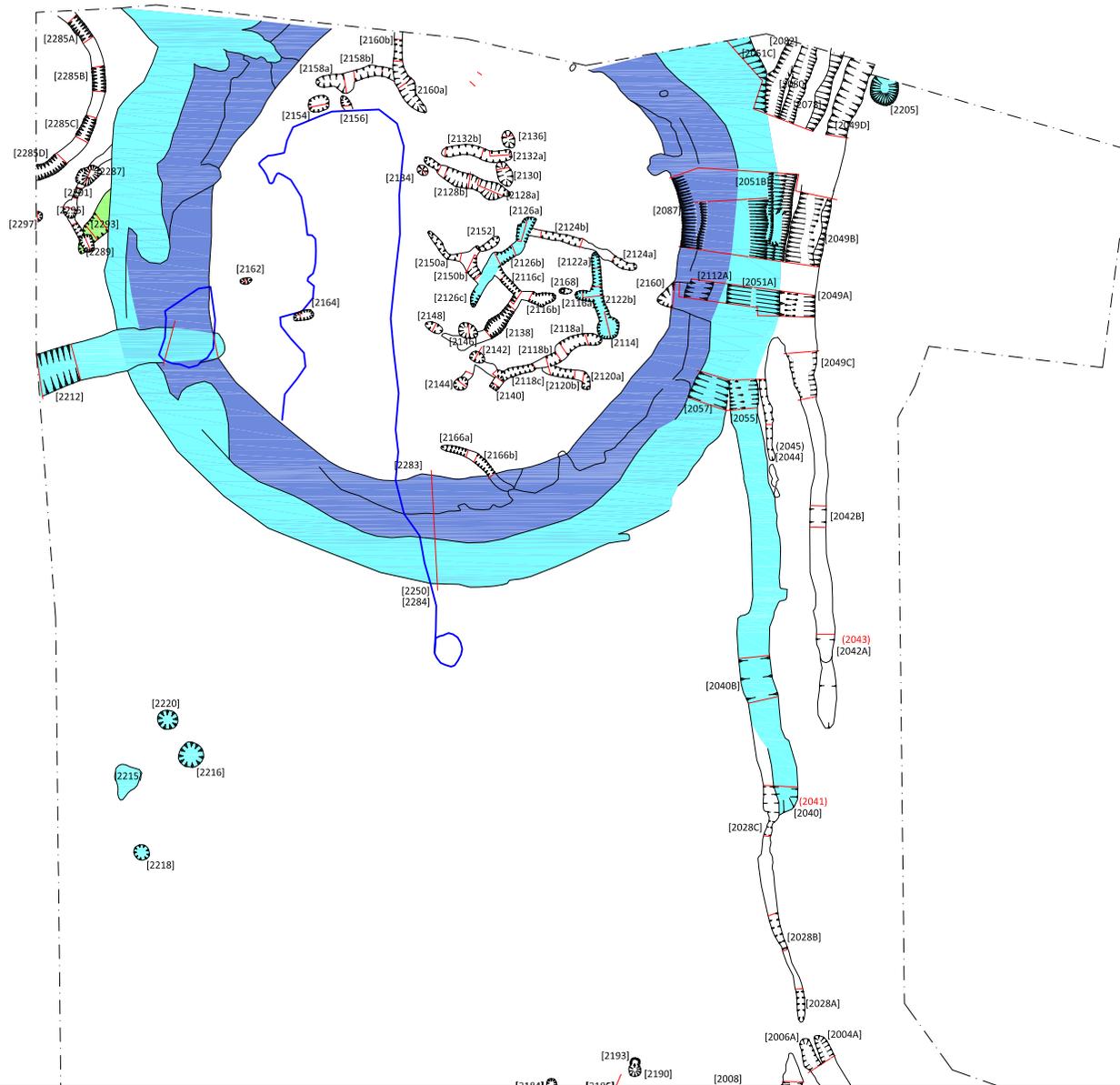


Figure 3: Site plan; scale 1:500

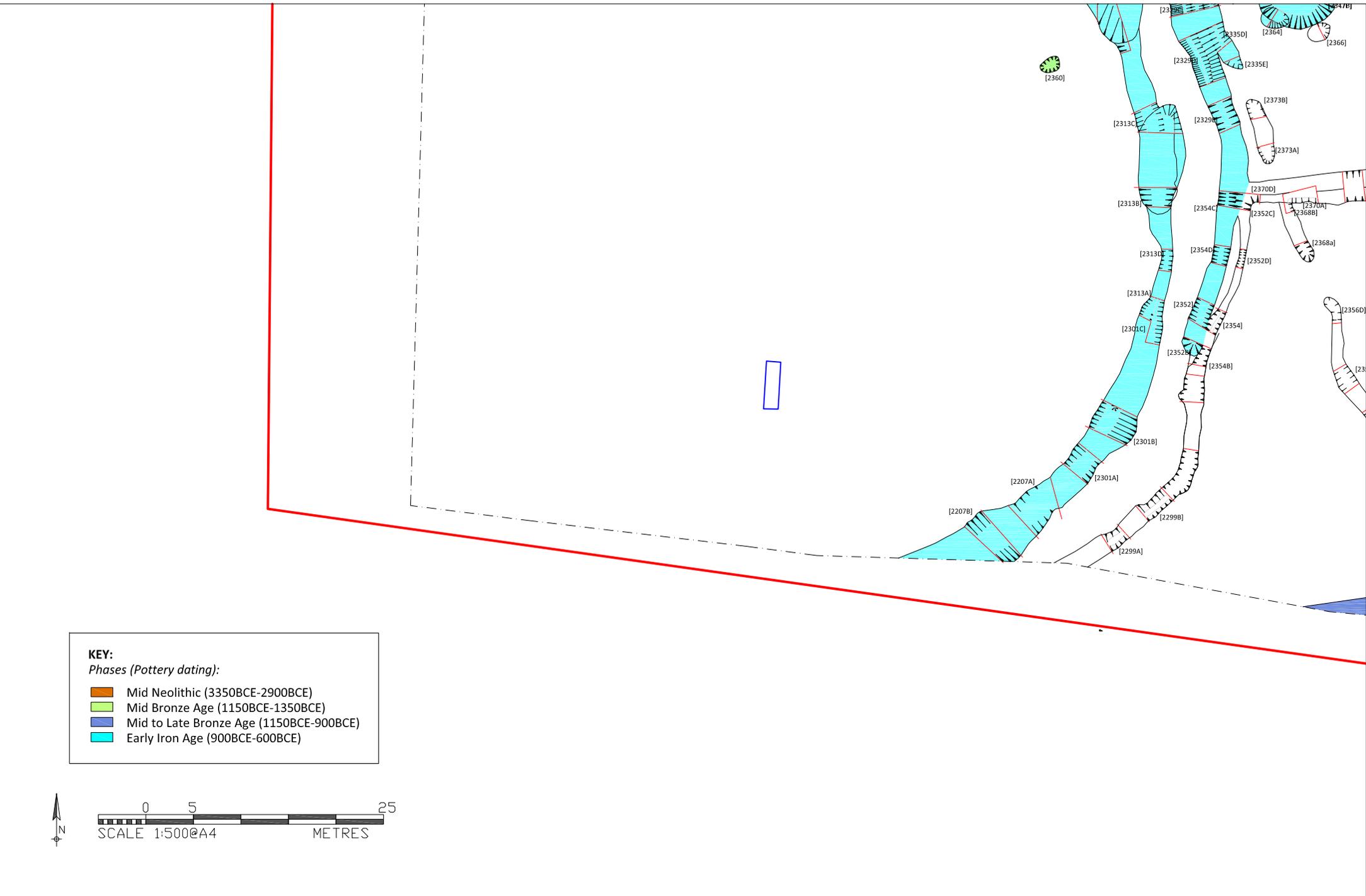


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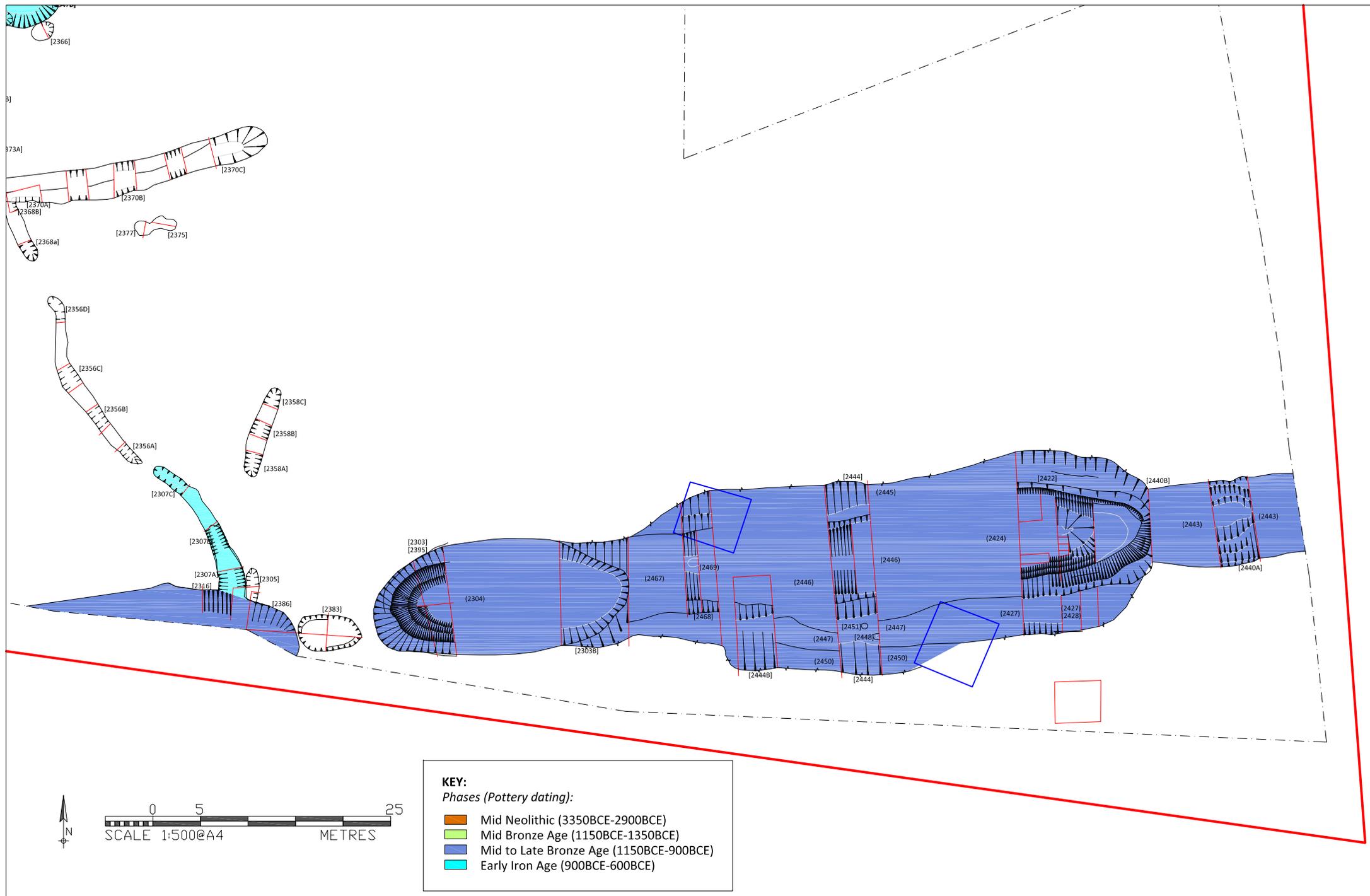
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Plan 4: Features plan - Ring ditch - monument 1, scale 1:100.

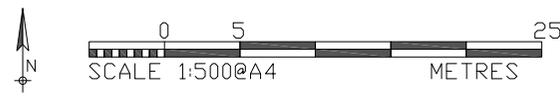


Plan 6: Features plan - South west area, scale 1:100.



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Plan 7: Features plan - Monument 2 - Northern side of rectilinear enclosure, scale 1:100.

Appendix B – Spot dating (Paul Hart)

**An Assessment of the pottery from
Briary Close,
Westgate,
Kent**

Site Codes: BCW-EV-20 / BCW-WB-20

Analyst: Paul Hart

Last updated: 11.04.2021

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1. Summary

A total of 1932 sherds weighing a total of 7646 g were presented. This assemblage offers evidence of activity potentially within the earlier part of the Late Neolithic (2900 to 2700 BC), the Beaker period (2200 to 1750 BC), the Middle to Mid to Late Bronze Age (1550/1350 to 1150 BC), possibly the earlier part of the Earliest Iron Age (1000 to 800 BC), the Medieval (1225 to 1350 AD) and the Late Post Medieval and later (1770+ AD). Context-contemporary material is confined to the Late Neolithic, the Middle to Mid to Late Bronze Age and the Earliest Iron Age. The remainder, represented by a minimal number of sherds, is residual or intrusive.

The earliest activity is the most notable and it occurs only rarely locally and in the region. It comprises a low but significant quantity (57 sherds) of Middle Neolithic Peterborough Ware, perhaps mostly in the Mortlake sub-style. Some of these flint tempered fabrics show an addition of grog temper, which could suggest that its manufacture had been influenced by the presence of Late Neolithic Grooved Ware. Two sherds in a grog and sparse flint tempered fabric, decorated similarly to the Peterborough Ware, but which would more typically be Grooved Ware (otherwise an untypical Peterborough fabric), were recovered from different contexts, but showed a worn conjoin. It is possible that this sherd had been disturbed from one of the 3 features which produced the Peterborough Ware. The date ranges of both of these wares overlap between 2900 and 2700 BC and they could have derived from a single phase of activity at this time.

Two inverted cremation urns of the Middle to Mid to Late Bronze Age were recovered from a single pit. These and much of the other material of this date from other contexts, even where fresh, was in a very fragmentary condition, meaning that a small number of vessels were represented by a comparatively large number of sherds. The addition of grog temper to some of the flint tempered coarsewares, though only to a minor degree, was notable. Such fabrics could occur through the period from 1550 to 1150 BC, but they are considered to be more common in the Mid to Late Bronze Age, from 1350 to 1150 BC. No finewares and no identifiable forms which are particularly diagnostic of this date were certainly present, however.

The largest quantity of pottery, which derived from the greatest number of vessels, was broadly of Earliest Iron Age style (note the discussion below). Much of this material comprised small sized sherds however, with vessels only very partially represented. Mostly flint tempered, the presence of 3 small sherds from 2 vessels made in glauconitic sandy fabrics, was notable. These would have been manufactured somewhere in the Greensand zone in Kent and, though common in those areas, they are only rarely seen in assemblages of this date in Thanet. The simplicity of this assemblage, particularly with regards to the minimal evidence for decoration present, which solely comprised a few body sherds with fingertip impressions, plus the lack of some traits seen in other Earliest Iron Age assemblages locally, offers the possibility that this group might date towards the earlier end of its typical range, perhaps sometimes between around 1000 and 800 BC.

Given the potential for a presence on site in the Mid to Late Bronze Age between 1350 and 1150 BC and that the Earliest Iron Age pottery might date early within its range, perhaps it is possible that there could have been some near-continuity, or otherwise not a significant period of abandonment, between these phases. Late Bronze Age pottery, which would span the gap between the two periods (1150 to 1000/900 BC), is somewhat less well defined than the other two, being fabrics and forms which are evolving into those that are more distinctively Earliest Iron Age in style. A major difference is that the Late Bronze Age pottery is defined as (being typically a phase of) 'Plain Ware', though minimal decoration in the form of fingertip impressions can still occur. Subsequent stratigraphic analysis may be able to determine if there are distinct phases within the Earliest Iron Age assemblage on this site and it would be interesting if the bevelled rims present, which are one of the main diagnostic features, are all occurring in a later phase of activity than the other, less specifically diagnostic, rim forms. There is a noticeable difference, however, in the sandy nature of the clay that has been used for the Earliest Iron Age pottery, in contrast with that used in the Middle to Mid to Late Bronze Age. This indicates that the raw materials in these periods were obtained from different sources.

2. Period-based review

To avoid the repetition of those necessary caveats ‘potential’ and ‘possible’ etc., it should be recognised that the material listed as contemporary or residual within its context typically has an important potential to be so *based solely upon its condition*. Please note also that the estimate of the number of vessels present is an approximate maximum estimate, as the material from some contexts occurs in multiple separate bags (differentiated as ‘A’, ‘B’, or ‘Spit 1’, ‘Spit 2’ etc.), which have been kept and catalogued separately. A layout and review of all such material from a single context (where sherds in different bags may derive from the same vessel) has not been conducted at this current stage of work.

2.1. Middle Neolithic – Peterborough Ware, 3350/2900 to 2700 BC

Potential relationship	In contexts	Sherds	Vessels
Contemporary	(2009), (2039), (2173).	47	17/21
Residual	(2013E), (2027), (2065A).	10	6
Total		57	23/27

The sherds were mostly small and medium sized, in flint tempered and mixed flint and grog tempered slightly sandy fabrics. The naturally sandy nature of the fabrics was a common trait throughout the Middle Neolithic sherds present, potentially suggesting a similar clay source and contemporary relationship between the material from the different contexts. A significant proportion of the pottery had a mixed temper fabric, with the grog element mostly small, perhaps more often angular than rounded and typically in oxidised brown to orangey-brown and sometimes reddish colours. It is possible that the significant addition of grog could reflect a contemporary presence and influence of Late Neolithic Grooved Ware, thus the date at present has been focussed towards the later end of the range of Peterborough Ware. A conjoining potential sherd of Grooved Ware, in a grog and sparse flint tempered fabric, was recovered from (2013 B) and (2027) and is discussed separately further below.

Rims from up to 6 vessels and shoulders from 3 vessels were recovered, these and the great majority of the body sherds present being decorated. One rim from (2173) Spit 1 of [2172] was identical in form and decoration to a rim from (2039) Spits 3 and 4 of [2038] and though they do not conjoin and have a different coloration, they could easily derive from the same vessel, or perhaps were otherwise manufactured by the same potter.

A small number of conjoins were noted. Two separate sets, from (2039) Spit 1 and (2173) Spit 1, conjoined into medium and larger sized plain body panels respectively. Though from different contexts and features, the similarities in their fabric and appearance suggest that these 2 panels could have derived from the same vessel. Other conjoins occurred in (2039) Spit 5, 1 set forming a small body panel decorated with impressed fingernails, another set conjoining to a reasonable sized fragment from a rim. This rim significantly overhangs both surfaces and has a narrow collar-like exterior. It features curving ‘comma’ shaped/fingernail-like impressions on both the rim sides and the rim top, forming a herringbone pattern on the rim top and the exterior rim side. Below the rim was a deep cavetto neck, the sherd broken at a slightly ridged shoulder junction, above which there was a horizontal line of twisted cord. The rim is akin to the Mortlake sub-style of Peterborough Ware. Other potential examples include 2 small conjoining rim sherds from (2039) Spits 3 and 4, with an identical though not conjoining sherd also recovered from (2173) Spit 1. This rim was of a similar style to the large rim from (2039) Spit 5, though in a mixed rather than ‘purely’ flint tempered fabric (minor natural inclusions aside) and the size and proportions were smaller. The rim overhangs the exterior surface only, features impressed twisted cord in a herringbone pattern on the rim top, which extends onto the narrow rim exterior, below which is a short incurving cavetto. Incised across the neck cavetto and continuing below the shoulder is a pattern of criss-crossed lines set at approximately 45°. The sherd is broken just below the shoulder and at the location of what is likely to have been a repeated horizontal scheme of small, likely applied, circular pellets with concave centres (1 survives, with hints and fragments of others).

Other decorated body sherd elements from these contexts feature impressions of fingernails or twisted cord, occasionally both. The former always occur in a fairly close-set mass (not dispersed and random looking), sometimes in ordered rows, herringbone or schemes set at right-angles. Two body sherds from (2039) show proud close-set raised ribs with impressed herringbone decoration in between (see the catalogue for a description of all of the decorative and form elements). Twisted cord impressions occur commonly in both the Ebbsfleet and Mortlake sub-styles of Middle Neolithic Peterborough pottery, though the decoration on the latter is perhaps typically more varied (including fingernail impressions) and more intense. It may be that most of the vessels present in this assemblage are of Mortlake type.

Contemporary and residual material

Context-contemporary material potentially derives from 3 features: post-hole [2008] and pits [2038] and [2172]. It seems likely that these are phase-contemporary. Of the residual material, that in (2027) probably derives from (2173) of [2172], which was cut by post-pit [2026] that contained (2027). This particular context included a body sherd (decorated with a row of fingernail impressions) that notably featured a profusely tempered exterior surface. The density of this temper is not reflected in the core and it could be an intentionally applied finish, a potentially unusual trait locally. One sherd (also with fingernail impressions) was residual in the primary fill (2013E) of ditch [2012], likely Earliest Iron Age. The sherd was small but fairly fresh and it might have been disturbed from one of the 3 Middle Neolithic features, which were situated nearby, or perhaps derived from the destruction of another Middle Neolithic feature or horizon, as a result of activity in the Earliest Iron Age. Also residual in a ditch probably of the same date was tiny scrap recovered from secondary fill (2065A) of terminus [2064].

Local context

Finds of Peterborough Ware are not particularly common on Thanet, with Ebbsfleet and Mortlake sub-styles occurring more often than Fengate (Nigel Macpherson-Grant *pers. comm.*). This particular collection, though low in numbers overall and lacking any large representative profiles, does contain a very useful and potentially important addition to the local and regional corpus.

2.2. Late Neolithic – Grooved Ware, 2900 to 2700/2450 BC

<i>Potential relationship</i>	<i>In contexts</i>	<i>Sherds</i>	<i>Vessels</i>
Residual	(2013 B), (2027).	2	1
Total		2	1

Context (2013 B), a primary fill of ditch [2012], likely Earliest Iron Age in date, produced a small body sherd in a grog and sparse flint tempered fabric, which showed 2 rows of close-set fingernail impressions adjacent a slight carination, above/below which was a very short line of possible narrow twisted cord on an angle to the rest. The grog was mostly oxidised, 1 large fragment of which included some flint temper. The decoration has much in common with the Peterborough Ware in the site assemblage and no classic grooved elements are present, though the primarily grog tempered fabric is more typical/characteristic of Late Neolithic wares.

The sherd notably featured a subsequently worn conjoin with a largely plain sherd from (2027) of post-pit [2026], the latter sherd featuring the worn remnants of the lower part of the second row of fingernail impressions seen on the sherd from (2013 B). [2026] is situated close to [2012 B] and cuts Middle Neolithic pit [2172], which could be the source of the fresh-looking flint tempered Middle Neolithic sherd/s also recovered from [2026]. It is possible that the grog and sparse flint tempered sherd from (2027), which conjoins with the sherd from (2013 B), also formerly originated from [2172], meaning that flint tempered Middle Neolithic Peterborough Ware and the grog and sparse flint tempered Late Neolithic Grooved Ware (otherwise an untypical Middle Neolithic fabric) had formerly been occurring in the same feature.

It has been suggested further above that the presence of grog in the Peterborough Ware could be indicative that the production of that ware was being influenced by the presence of Grooved Ware, thus a focus of 2900 to 2700 BC was suggested for those particular mixed temper fabrics of Peterborough Ware in the site assemblage. As a result of the potential former association of Middle and Late Neolithic type wares in [2172], a similar focus is suggested for the Late Neolithic Grooved Ware.

Local context

Finds of Grooved Ware occur very rarely on Thanet and this is thought to be generally true for the region as a whole. Only 1 large assemblage is known to have been recovered in East Kent so far, this at Ringlemere, but the quantity present there is an exception. On Thanet only a very low number of sherds, mostly occurring as small sized single residual examples, are known to have been found.

2.3. Beaker, 2200 to 1750 BC

<i>Potential relationship</i>	<i>In contexts</i>	<i>Sherd</i>	<i>Vessel</i>
Residual	Unmarked.	1	1
Total		1	1

This comprised a small thick base sherd in a slightly finely sandy fabric, the exterior showing a band of repeated spaced vertical fingernail impressions along the very lower edge of the vessel. Though grave-good Beakers and sherds from other Beaker vessels occur fairly regularly across Thanet, this motif is not commonly encountered on local Beaker pottery and the fabric is also untypically sparsely tempered for such material. The occasional (randomly impressed) body sherd from fingernail rusticated beakers are known, but only 1 similar base. This was recovered at the QEQM Hospital Margate, though the decoration was obliquely angled, the fabric also sandy and possibly with very sparse grog. The dating currently applied is that for local instances of fingernail rusticated Beakers.

2.4. Middle to Mid to Late Bronze Age, 1550 to 1150 BC

<i>Potential relationship</i>	<i>In contexts</i>	<i>Sherds</i>	<i>Vessels</i>
Contemporary	Unmarked, (2213), (2314B), (2326), (2338), (2343), [2360] SF 1, [2360] SF 2, (2363).	1030	14+/19+
Residual	(2209) B, (2027), (2217), (2304) Top, (2447).	6	5
Unclear	Cleaning, F5, (2294), (2227A), (2302C).	22	8/9
Total		1058	27+/33+

This pottery generally occurred as mostly small to occasionally medium sized sherds from thick-walled coarsewares, likely in barrel, bucket or tub forms of the Deverel-Rimbury (including Late Deverel-Rimbury) tradition. Much of the material, particularly that from the 2 (possibly 3) cremation vessels present, was in a very fragmentary condition, even when fresh, with the result that it may be difficult to establish the precise form for those very few 2/3 vessels which are more than only very partially represented. No certain evidence for thinner-walled finewares, such as globular urns and bowls, was noted (see also the discussion of context (2325) in Section 2.5. further below).

Two main fabric types were present, one predominantly flint tempered, the other mixed flint and grog. Both types can occur throughout the Middle (1550 to 1350 BC) and Mid to Late Bronze Age (1350 to 1150 BC), though intentional mixed temper fabrics are considered to be more common in and more characteristic of the latter period. The appearance of some of the fabrics, with regards to the character of their coarse gritting and cursory surface treatments, were not too dissimilar to some small sized examples within groups of sherds of Earliest Iron Age date in the site assemblage (for example see the comments on context (2314B) in the catalogue), though such material was typically thinner-walled and sandier.

Only a small number of rim sherds, from 4 vessels, were recovered {in (2338), (2343) and [2360]}, along with a few base sherds from 2 vessels {in (2338) and (2343) Top}. Decoration was solely confined to fingertip impressions, these present on 3 vessels {in (2338) and [2360]}, set in rows. No (intact) cordons were noted.

Mixed flint and grog tempered wares, 1550/1350 to 1150 BC

These fabrics, which as noted may traditionally occur more often within the Mid to Late Bronze Age, were recovered (in mostly low numbers) from F5, (2027), (2302C), (2304) Top, (2326), (2343) and (2447). The grog was often fine, sparse and minimal, with only F5 {4 sherds}, (2027) {2 sherds}, (2304) Top {1 sherd} and (2326) {18 sherds} having relatively greater quantities of grog. Other sherds which included some sparse fine grog, that was in general too sparse to be considered of having greater potential for a Mid to Late Bronze Age date, were also recovered from (2209) B, (2313) and (2314B).

It is possible the presence of these mixed temper fabrics could indicate that the focus of activity, should it be single phase or have occurred over only a small number of generations, may lay more within the Mid to Late Bronze Age, but no vessel forms which are specifically indicative of this period are present.

Cremation vessels

The remains of 2 inverted cremation vessels, both in purely flint tempered fabrics, were recovered from [2360] as Small Finds 1 and 2. Though an apparently large number of sherds were present, the generally small size and highly fragmentary nature mean that these vessels appear to be only partially represented. A few rims were present, but not enough to complete a full circuit, while bases appeared to be absent, presumably a result of inversion and subsequent truncation by ploughing. As noted above, it may be a difficult or lengthy task to search for conjoins in order to discern the vessels' forms (the excavation archive may be able to assist). SF 1 is very thick-walled and has a flat-topped rim, with 2 horizontal rows of fingertip impressions on the exterior immediately below the rim top (broken below, but likely no more than 2 rows). The diameter may be around 30 cm. The walls of SF 2 are of more medium thickness and the vessel features a simple upright rounded rim with a single horizontal row of fingertip impressions on the exterior just below. The diameter may be around 20 cm.

In addition, context (2338) comprised a spread of a large number of fairly fresh looking sherds that could have derived from a single flint tempered vessel and which might also have been intentionally deposited and plough-disrupted (perhaps a cremation, if cremated bone was or had been present). Two sherds from a simple upright rim, plain on top and just below, were present, these being more medium-walled than the many thick-walled body sherds, 1 of which showed a single row of fingertip impressions. One small base sherd and 1 likely broken fragment of another was present. The opportunity for conjoins appears to be limited unfortunately and no large panels, which could be large enough to show the form, may be (easily) reconstructable.

Local context

Evidence of activity between 1550 and 1150 BC is commonly encountered on Thanet, mostly in relation to the many ring-ditch/roundbarrow monuments excavated here, though a good number of settlement sites are also known. Coarsewares decorated with fingertip impressions on the rim and/or body, the latter most often single rows, but occasionally double, usually horizontal but also, though rarely, vertical, are a frequent occurrence in the pottery assemblages of this date in East Kent. Cremation urns may more often be found buried individually, though one site at Ramsgate also produced multiple 'complete' vessels (3 in total) from a single pit, these in flint tempered fabrics and radiocarbon-dated to the Middle Bronze Age (Moody *et al* 2010). An interesting inter-regional contrast between the more simply decorated Kent coarsewares and the more exuberantly fingertip decorated coarsewares found in Essex has been noted (Nigel Macpherson-Grant *pers. comm.* and forthcoming).

2.5. Middle Bronze Age to Earliest Iron Age, 1550 to 600 BC

<i>Potential relationship</i>	<i>In contexts</i>	<i>Sherds</i>	<i>Vessels</i>
Contemporary	(2061), (2214).	6	2
Residual	Surface cleaning west ditch of ring, (1505), (2107), (2466).	11	4
Unclear	Cleaning, (2059), (2203), (2217), (2314B), (2325), (2431).	42	10/14
Total		59	16/20

This broadly dated material comprised small undiagnostic sherds and fragmented scraps in flint tempered fabrics, likely Middle to Mid to Late Bronze Age or Earliest Iron Age, given that these periods are the main foci of site trends.

Notable is context (2325) of ditch [2324], which contained 4 small variously worn fragments only, with an initial preference being that most were more likely to be Earliest Iron Age, given the general lack of thinner-walled and neatly finished finewares/sub-finewares amongst the earlier material. However, 2 pottery spreads comprising contexts (2326) and (2338), which overlaid the ditch, produced solely Middle to Mid to Late Bronze Age material, as did [2342] which cut [2324]. Perhaps the sherds in (2325) could be disturbed/bioturbated intrusions from adjacent Earliest Iron Age pit [2331], which also cuts [2324]. Alternatively, they could be the sole (minimal) evidence for the occurrence of Middle to Mid to Late Bronze Age finewares/sub-finewares in the site assemblage. If intrusions from [2331] are possible however, then this cannot be considered reliable evidence of such (and the material has no form or decorative data to offer in any case).

2.6. Earliest Iron Age, 1000 to 800/600 BC

<i>Potential relationship</i>	<i>In contexts</i>	<i>Sherds</i>	<i>Vessels</i>
Contemporary	(405), (1007), (2013), (2027), (2037), (2052), (2053), (2056), (2065), (2071), (2073), (2075), (2076), (2085), (2094), (2097), (2101), (2103), (2108), (2179), (2206), (2208), (2209), (2215), (2219), (2225), (2249), (2264), (2278), (2279), (2280), (2282), (2302), (2322), (2323), (2348), (2365), (2423), (2428), (2460).	654	153/163
Residual	F2, F3, (402), (1106) Top, (1202), (2127) A, (2321), (2381), (2457).	20	9
Unclear	Cleaning, F23, (1110), (2054), (2074), (2123), (2221), (2248), (2304) Top, (2310), (2314), (2328), (2330), (2446), (2513).	74	24/26
Total		748	186/198

This material provided the most widespread ceramic evidence for activities on site. The sherds were typically small to medium sized and in flint tempered fabrics which had a noticeable (presumably natural) sand element. The use of sandier clays in this period (and subsequently) has been noted and across Southern Britain in general there is a trend for potting clays to become distinctively sandier at the start of the Earliest Iron Age (Morris 2006, 81). Such significantly sandy clays do not appear to be a major trait for the identifiably Middle and Mid to Late Bronze Age pottery on this site (or in general locally), suggesting the utilisation of different clay sources in these phases of activity here.

Considering this differentiation and noting similarities in the surface appearances of sherds in groups of likely contemporary material of Earliest Iron Age date in the site assemblage, has led to the preferential dating of many of the otherwise not particularly period-diagnostic small plain body sherds in particularly sandy fabrics as being more likely Earliest Iron Age.

The flint gritting was variably sparse to more often moderate and sometimes profuse, typically of fine to medium grade, often with occasional coarser grits. Other sherds featured a profuse mostly fine gritting, characteristic of the period, while coarser moderately gritted fabrics also occurred. Purely flint tempered fabrics (containing the usual minor natural inclusions) were thoroughly dominant. Also present were a small quantity of mixed temper flint and grog {1 sherd in (2076)} and flint and sparse grog fabrics {10 sherds from 4 vessels in (2013D), (2219), (2348B) and (2513)}.

A few flint tempered wares featured notable natural inclusions generally absent in the other material. Two sherds from (2103) contained chalk, 1 being a flint tempered fabric with chalk inclusions, the other a fine sandy and sparse chalk fabric lacking obvious flint, though this could be a chance absence in a sherd from a vessel only sparsely tempered with flint. The presence of chalk suggests they had potentially been made from a different clay source, possibly a chalky brickearth. Particularly notable was the presence in (2075) of 3 thin-walled sherds from 2 fineware vessels which featured a high proportion of fine rounded black grains within their sandy fabric. This quantity of glauconite was not noted in the other sandy fabrics in the site assemblage at this time and these sherds could be travelled finewares whose origins lay in the Greensand zone (along the southern edge of the North Downs). Such areas closest to Thanet occur approximately between Folkestone and the Medway, though the Folkestone products can have a calcareous element which is not present in these particular sherds. Glauconitic wares of this date are very rare occurrences in Thanet, being more common here after 200/150 BC.

Overall, vessel walls were mostly of thin to medium thicknesses and surface finishes ranged from simple smoothing and wiping on the coarsewares, to better, neatly smoothed and soft (but not highly) burnished surfaces on the finewares and (thicker-walled) sub-finewares. A few sherds, such as 1 from (2348) Spit 2, showed the weathered loss of a thin oxidised surface skin, which has been noted as a trait of some material in local Earliest Iron Age assemblages (Macpherson-Grant *pers. comm.*).

A small number of rim sherds, from 13 vessels, most of the rims represented by a single sherd, were present. Four of these vessels featured bevelled interiors characteristic of the period {in (2052A), (2209) Spit 2 and (2348) Top}, the other rims being simple flat parallel-sided types with rounded tops, upright or gently everting. One thin-walled shoulder possibly from a bowl was noted in (2323). One other slight shoulder, decorated with fingertip impressions, occurred in (1106). A few sherds from the edges of 8/9 bases were present. Many of these showed similar manufacturing traits in the presence of finger-forming marks on the exteriors, some above a defined short plinth {in (2013E), (2052A) and (2348)}. One base from (2215) featured a hole drilled post-firing. No examples of bases with an exterior skin of profuse flint grits were present. Decorative motifs were confined to impressed fingertips, these solely occurring on 6 body sherds {in (1007), (1106) Top, (2209), (2323) and (2348); 2 of them comprised of 2 conjoining pieces}. Most were of a size able to show only 2 impressions at best, though 2 instances featured a slightly longer row.

No full or substantial part-profiles were present and many vessels were represented by only a small number of sherds. Significant depths of the more useful upper portions of vessels (rim to shoulder and upper body) were poorly preserved, the most notable instance occurring in (2348) Top, this being the wide bevelled rim and upper body from a large diameter coarseware. A potential, but difficult to reconstruct, possibility also occurred in (2052A).

Local context

Pottery and sites of Earliest Iron Age date, 1000/900 to 600 BC overall, occur commonly on Thanet (as does Iron Age material in general), with several notable assemblages from Thanet and nearby published (see Section 3.3.).

The lack of decoration on the rims and minimal examples of decoration on the body, which solely comprise fingertip impressions, with no red finished wares present, could suggest that the current assemblage might derive from an earlier rather than later stage of the Earliest Iron Age.

Fingertip impressed cabled rims, horizontal linear (combed) decoration and heavily gritted bases, but not red finished wares, occur at Tothill Street in an assemblage dated between 950 and 850/800 BC (though a slightly earlier radiocarbon date was also produced; Cotton 2010, 17). A site at Cliffs End Farm (McKinley *et al* 2014) indicated that fingertip impressions were probably in use after between 1165 and 1010 BC and by 1025 to 920 BC, with linear tooled, incised or scratched decoration occurring after around 1000/900 BC. Heavily gritted bases appeared there after around 950 BC and red finished wares from 800/700 BC. On this basis, the presence of fingertip impressed decoration and the lack of red finished wares in the site assemblage could indicate that the pottery might date between 1000 and 800/700 BC, with an absence of incised linear decoration and heavily gritted bases potentially indicating the earlier rather than later end of this range. This is speculation however and would need to be investigated further by a consideration of stratigraphic relationships and, if possible, associated radiocarbon dates.

Please note also the discussion in the final paragraph of the Section 1. Summary further above.

2.7. Medieval, 1225 to 1350 AD

<i>Potential relationship</i>	<i>In contexts</i>	<i>Sherds</i>	<i>Vessels</i>
Residual	(501).	3	1
Unclear	(2304) Top mid.	1	1
Total		4	2

This material comprised sherds of Canterbury Tyler Hill sandy ware, which are commonly recovered locally. The 3 small conjoining fragments of a plain body sherd from (501) were dated 1225/1250 to 1275 AD, with a green glazed body sherd from (2304) dated 1275/1300 to 1350 AD. The latter was not significantly worn, but given it's presence in a large ditch which may mostly contain Earliest Iron Age pottery, it could represent a later ploughed-in intrusion.

2.8. Late Post Medieval and later, 1770+ AD

<i>Potential relationship</i>	<i>In contexts</i>	<i>Sherds</i>	<i>Vessels</i>
Residual	(1101).	1	1
Total		1	1

This was a fragment of a handle in English porcelain, a very commonly occurring fabric type.

3. Relative academic value

The material of research interest which has the potential to provide data useful for future comparative purposes mainly derives from 3 periods, which on a ceramic basis could be focussed from:

- 2900 to 2700 BC.
- 1550/1350 to 1150 BC.
- 1000 to 800 BC.

3.1. Late Neolithic, 2900 to 2700 BC

Technically Late Neolithic on a period basis, this assemblage is primarily composed of Middle Neolithic Peterborough Ware, perhaps mostly in the Mortlake sub-style, with 1 potential instance of Late Neolithic Grooved Ware. There are 59 sherds in total, 57 being Peterborough Ware. The notable components are:

- Rims from up to 6 Peterborough Ware vessels.
- Many decorated Peterborough Ware body sherds (the majority of them), with several different elements present and a couple of comparatively large sized body panels reconstructable.
- The presence of a mixed flint and grog temper in many Peterborough Ware sherds, potentially suggesting an influence by Grooved Ware and a date at the late end of Peterborough's range.
- 2 conjoining sherds of Grooved Ware.

Peterborough Ware is not a particularly commonly occurring pottery type on Thanet, or, it is currently thought, in East Kent and Kent in general. Grooved Ware occurs very rarely on Thanet and the situation is considered similar in the rest of Kent, though one large assemblage is known in East Kent, at Ringlemere (eg. see Varndell 2006). The Peterborough Ware assemblage will provide a very useful addition to the local and regional pottery corpus, while the Grooved Ware is also of interest, given its local rarity and potential association with the Peterborough Ware. The usefulness would be enhanced if the spot-dating could be refined or supported by radiocarbon-dating.

Though unresearched at this stage, some potentially comparable occasional instances and larger assemblages of Peterborough Ware from Thanet may be found at Little Brooksend Farm Birchington, All Saints Avenue, Hartsdown and Mill Lane Margate, Foreness Point (Weatherless-Margate-Broadstairs Waste Water Pipeline), Preston Caravan Park Manston, Royal Esplanade and Chalk Hill Ramsgate (the latter a wastewater scheme and Causewayed Enclosure), Cliffsend (Oaklands Nursery and East Kent Access Phase II), Sevenscore and Manston (East Kent Access Phase II), Cottington Road (Weatherless-Margate-Broadstairs Waste Water Pipeline), Monkton-Minster A253 and Tothill Street Minster.

Some identified and potential instances of Grooved Ware occur at Thanet Earth, possibly Brooksend Hill Birchington, All Saints Avenue Margate, Ellington School Pyson's Road Ramsgate (Boden 2006), some of the ring-ditch monuments at Lord of the Manor Ramsgate, Chalk Hill Ramsgate (wastewater scheme) and Hoo Farm Monkton (Monkton-Minster A253 road scheme).

3.2. Middle to Mid to Late Bronze Age, 1550/1350 to 1150 BC

The notable components in this assemblage are:

- 2 cremation vessels, only partially represented and with their bases truncated.
- The remains of perhaps a third vessel, with some minor rim, decorated body and base elements surviving.
- The rims from 2 other vessels.
- Sherds in mixed flint and grog tempered wares.

The precise forms of the better surviving vessels (all coarsewares) may be difficult to reconstruct and discern, given their highly fragmentary state. Decorated elements are confined to rows of fingertip impressions placed below the rim or on the body, these also minimally represented.

Pottery broadly of 1550 to 1150 BC date, of Deverel-Rimbury and Late Deverel-Rimbury style, occurs relatively often across Thanet and in East Kent and the region in general. This is mostly in conjunction with the large number of ring-ditch/roundbarrow monuments excavated, but many settlement sites are known, those on Thanet including (unresearched at this stage) Shuart/Netherhale Farm, Thanet Earth (a couple of sites), Anne Close Birchington, St. Mildred's Bay and Cambourne Avenue Westgate, All Saints Avenue and Hartsdown Margate, Broadstairs Retail Park, Westwood Cross, Dumpton, St. Lawrence College and Manston Road Ramsgate, Cliffsend (several sites), Sevenscore and Ebbsfleet, The Loop and Kent International Business Park Manston, Minster and Monkton.

Though more complete vessels of identifiable form and with larger areas of decoration preserved are known and have been published, an interesting aspect of this particular assemblage is the presence of mixed flint and grog tempered wares, which are considered more common in the Mid to Late Bronze Age, 1350 to 1150 BC. The current assemblage could provide useful local/regional comparative data if radiocarbon-dating could be employed to establish exactly which period the pottery derives from and whether these often minor incidences of the addition of grog temper are, on this site at least, confined solely to the Mid to Late Bronze Age, or occur earlier.

3.3. Earliest Iron Age, 1000 to 800 BC

There are a comparatively large quantity of sherds of this style, typically in flint tempered fabrics. Various styles of gritting and surface treatment are present, but only a small number contain elements of form or decoration. The notable components are:

- Rims from 13 vessels.
- Shoulders from 2 vessels.
- Bases from 8/9 vessels.
- 6 decorated sherds, all body sherds (1 a shoulder), solely fingertip-impressed.
- 1 more easily reconstructable part-profile of the rim to upper body from a coarseware.
- 3 small body sherds from 2 vessels in a glauconitic sandy fabric.

Pottery of this date occurs fairly commonly on Thanet and in East Kent and the region in general, with several notable published assemblages from Thanet, including East Northdown (Smith 1987), Cliffs End Farm Cliffsend (McKinley *et al* 2014), Tothill Street Minster (Cotton 2010) and Monkton Court Farm (Macpherson-Grant 1995), plus another from Highstead nearby (Couldrey 2007). Other assemblages which are currently unpublished are also known. What is not common is the presence of the glauconitic sandy wares, a rare instance of such travelled wares appearing on Thanet at this period.

The prime usefulness of this assemblage will be if its spot-dating can be substantiated and refined by radiocarbon-dating and also if it can be separated into earlier and later stratigraphic phases, for the trends demonstrated in the current assemblage suggest that it might date early within the typical Earliest Iron Age range (note the comments in the Section 1. Summary). If so, then the information the current assemblage provides, regarding what traits are present and absent, could be useful as comparative data which can be considered alongside other dated groups from Thanet, East Kent and the region.

4. Recommendations

4.1. Peterborough Ware and Grooved Ware

Given the relative rarity of the recovery of this material locally and regionally, particularly in the comparatively greater quantity present in this assemblage, it is desirable that this material should be reviewed and compared with other local and regional assemblages and its place in the wider development of these wares established. The results of this should be included in the final site report and, if possible, also published in a more accessible format. This could be the annual journal of the Kent Archaeological Society, *Archaeologia Cantiana*, if a summary of this site is to be submitted for inclusion within. Illustrations of a representative selection of the rims, decorative elements and fabric types should be included, whether drawn (where significant portions of the vessel profiles can be established/estimated) or photographed, perhaps using a combination of the two. Ideally and if possible, it would be very useful if associated radiocarbon-dates could be obtained.

NB. If dateable substances exist but available resources make radiocarbon-dating impractical or impossible at this time, then the opportunity for such should be highlighted in the final site report and any subsequent publication, so that future researchers are made aware that the opportunity exists.

In addition

If a Late Neolithic date can be confirmed, then the presence of any contemporary worked lithics would also be of interest. This is because of the noted rarity of features locally and regionally which are securely of this date. If such an assemblage is present it could provide an important opportunity to document contemporary flint tool types and traits that would be useful as comparative data.

4.2. Beaker

The presence of a single sherd of Beaker pottery, though currently unstratified and unable to be dated more specifically by association with other material, is worthy of note, given its locally unusual form of decoration and similarity to another sherd recovered from a site at the QEQM Hospital in Margate. It would be useful if the final site report and any site-related wider publication could include a note of its presence and if possible an illustration (a photograph would probably suffice).

4.3. Middle to Mid to Late Bronze Age wares

Though the assemblage contains only a small quantity of form and decorative data on these wares, which are well known and well represented locally and regionally, it is appropriate that the 2 cremation vessels should be illustrated in the final site report and these could also be included in any subsequent site-related publication, space and resources permitting. Given that there are only 2 other additional rims present, these could be illustrated too and a review and comparison made with other local and regional wares of this period. Photographs of the typical surface appearances of some of the different fabrics could also be useful and can be included in the site report if possible, the presence of this information and its availability noted in any published site summary. The major point of interest, as far as useful local/regional comparative data is concerned, is the presence of mixed flint and grog tempered wares. It would be very useful if radiocarbon-dates could be obtained for the contemporary contexts which are associated with this material, to determine when exactly it is occurring. Any review could consider the evidence locally and regionally for any trends in the use and character of such mixed temper fabrics (particularly regarding the size and degree of grog in mixed flint and grog tempered wares).

NB. If dateable substances exist but available resources make radiocarbon-dating impractical or impossible at this time, then the opportunity for such should be highlighted in the final site report and any subsequent publication, so that future researchers are made aware that the opportunity exists.

4.4. Earliest Iron Age wares

Earliest Iron Age wares are well represented locally, with several assemblages published. A selective illustration in the final site report of some of the forms from this particular assemblage, along with a summary of the different types of fabrics* and surface treatments present, would contribute additional, but not new, information to this corpus. The most interesting aspect of the assemblage and its opportunity to provide some useful comparative data lays in whether a more specific date for it can be reliably established by other means. The presence and absence of certain traits suggest that this pottery group could date to the earlier end of its range and if this can be confirmed by associated radiocarbon-dates and perhaps stratigraphic separation (noting the comments in the final paragraph of the Section 1. Summary, with regards to Late Bronze Age Plain Ware), then a wider and more accessible publication of this data, regarding rim forms, decorative traits and notable presences and absences, would be locally and regionally useful. Any results could potentially be disseminated via the annual journal of the Kent Archaeological Society, *Archaeologia Cantiana*, should a summary of this site be submitted for inclusion.

* Photographs of the typical surface appearances could be useful and included in the site report if possible, the presence of this information and its availability noted in any published site summary.

NB. If dateable substances exist but available resources make radiocarbon-dating impractical or impossible at this time, then the opportunity for such should be highlighted in the final site report and any subsequent publication, so that future researchers are made aware that the opportunity exists.

4.5. Medieval and later wares

The only importance this material has with regards to the final site report is in the evidence it offers for activity on site at these particular times. None of the wares present are particularly worthy of further individual consideration.

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Appendix

6. Quantification and spot-dating of the pottery assemblage

6.1. Methodology

The sherds were examined in good light using a hand lens of x10 magnification and were catalogued on a context, total quantity (only the number of sherds over approximately 1cm in diameter were counted), bulk weight (of all sherds and uncounted fragments, calculated to the nearest gram), period, ware type, estimate of the number of vessels per ware, condition and date preference basis. No information about the contexts or their stratigraphic relationships was known unless stated.

The presence of key material, which comprises form or decorated sherds, some of which may be required for future illustration, has been noted in the catalogue and on the finds bags with the word 'DRAW'. Not all of this material is worthy of or will require drawing for any final publication that may be produced, however.

All dates given are *circa*.

6.2. Period Codes employed

Period	Code			Date (<i>circa</i>)	
First Neolithic	FN	4000	-	3650	BC
Middle Neolithic	MN	3350	-	2700	BC
Late Neolithic	LN	2900	-	2300	BC
Beaker Period	BK	2450	-	1750	BC
Early Bronze Age	EBA	2100	-	1550	BC
Middle Bronze Age	MBA	1550	-	1350	BC
Mid to Late Bronze Age	MBA-LBA	1350	-	1150	BC
Late Bronze Age	LBA	1150	-	1000/900	BC
Earliest Iron Age	EIA	1000/900	-	600	BC
Medieval	M	1200	-	1375	AD
Late Post-Medieval	LPM	1750	-	1900	AD
Modern	MOD	1900+			AD

6.3. Abbreviations used in 6.4

Wear

F	:	Fresh
FF	:	Fairly fresh
L	:	Light
M	:	Moderate
H	:	Heavy

6.4. Catalogue: Quantification and spot-dating of the pottery, with notes

6.4.1. BCW-EV-20

6.4.1.1. Named and unstratified contexts

Context		Total sherds	Total weight (g)		
<i>Context:</i>	Information on the nature of the context if known.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Summary of the dating evidence.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely commencement date of the context based on the pottery evidence.				
<i>End date:</i>	Likely end date of the context based on the pottery evidence.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Summary of the material evidence, notable elements and trends.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
TR 12 F2		4 sherds	1 g		
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	Significantly residual tiny fragments, with nothing specifically diagnostic, but just possibly EIA given site trends.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Potentially after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear; sherds residual.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Tiny rounded fractured fragments, slightly sandy with only sparse fine flint, different to the others from TR 12.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
4	??EIA	Flint tempered	1	H	1000/900-600 BC
TR 12 F3		1 sherd	1 g		
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA given site trends, residual to some degree.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Probably after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Very small plain body sherd, slightly sandy, with occasional black fe/?glaucanite grains, worn.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	M	1000/900-600 BC
TR 12 F5		4 sherds	11 g		
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	Potentially MBA-LBA. The relationship to their context is unclear because of their fragmented condition, though the pieces are not worn/abraded, so contemporaneity is a possibility.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Potentially after 1350 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small splintered sherd fragments, none with both surfaces intact, the breaks and sherd surfaces not particularly worn. The grog in 1 sherd is much larger and more noticeable than in the others.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
4	?MBA-LBA	Flint + grog tempered	?2	?L	1350-1150 BC
TR 12 F23		2 sherds	1 g		
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	Possibly EIA, also considering site trends, but tiny fragments only and their relationship to their context is unclear.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Potentially after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Tiny fractured fragments, fairly heavily gritted and fairly thin-walled.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	EIA	Flint tempered	1	-	1000/900-600 BC
Totals			11 sherds		14 g

6.4.1.2. Stratified contexts

Context		Total sherds	Total weight (g)		
<i>Context:</i>	Information on the nature of the context if known.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Summary of the dating evidence.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely commencement date of the context based on the pottery evidence.				
<i>End date:</i>	Likely end date of the context based on the pottery evidence.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Summary of the material evidence, notable elements and trends.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
(402)		6 sherds		16 g	
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, worn and residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear, nothing certainly after 600 BC, though sherds are residual to some degree.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small sherds, oxidised surfaces and black core, fairly heavily tempered with small and finer grits, most plain body sherds, 1 simple upright rim appearing all but flat (no curvature) with 1 face rounded/slightly bevelled (DRAW).				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
6	EIA	Flint tempered	1	M	1000/900-600 BC
(405) [404]		2 sherds		2 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Same feature as [2072].				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, given site trends, small, worn and residual to some degree.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC, these sherds residual to some degree, but fresher material of the same date in [2072].				
<i>Comments:</i>	Tiny plain body sherds, fairly thin-walled.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	?EIA	Flint tempered	1	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
(501)		3 sherds		5 g	
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	M, worn and residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely after 1225 AD, unless intrusive.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear; nothing certainly after 1275 AD, but sole sherd is residual.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Conjoining to 1 small plain body sherd, dull orange oxidised surfaces and reduced core.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
3	M	Canterbury Tyler Hill sandy	1	M	1225/1250-1275 AD
(1007) [1006]		1 sherd		10 g	
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA and potentially context-contemporary.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC, but a single sherd only.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Medium-ish sized sherd, fairly thin-walled, moderate small and medium sized grits and sandy fabric, similar to some others in EIA groups in site assemblage, neatly smoothed exterior shows 2 small fingertip impressions (DRAW).				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC

(1101)		1 sherd		25 g	
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i> LPM>MOD, likely residual to some degree.					
<i>Start date:</i> Nothing certainly before 1770 AD.					
<i>End date:</i> Unclear; sole piece likely residual.					
<i>Comments:</i> Uncoloured thick handle fragment, chipped and stained.					
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	LPM>MOD	English Porcelain	1	M	1770+ AD
(1106) Top		1 sherd		5 g	
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i> MBA>MBA-LBA or EIA, but with a preference for the latter, worn and residual to some degree.					
<i>Start date:</i> Likely after 1550 BC and probably after 1000/900 BC.					
<i>End date:</i> Unclear, nothing certainly after 600 BC, though sole piece likely residual.					
<i>Comments:</i> Small medium-walled coarseware body sherd with 1 complete and 1 partial fingertip impression situated on a very slight shoulder, moderate fine and medium grits in a slightly sandy fabric with some fine black fe/?glaucanite grains, grey-black reduced exterior, rest orange oxidised. Could be MBA>MBA-LBA or EIA, given site trends, but shoulder decoration, sandy fabric and wall thickness favouring EIA at present.					
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	?EIA	Flint tempered	1	M	1000/900-600 BC
(1110)		5 sherds		3 g	
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i> Slight preference for EIA, given site trends, but shattered fragments only, with relationship to context unclear.					
<i>Start date:</i> Likely after 1550 BC and possibly after 1000/900 BC.					
<i>End date:</i> Unclear.					
<i>Comments:</i> Tiny shattered fragments, reduced, moderate to fairly frequent fine and medium grits, 1 sherd with smoothed surface.					
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
5	?EIA	Flint tempered	1	-	1000/900-600 BC
(1202)		2 sherds		3 g	
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i> Broadly MBA>EIA, but preferably EIA, likely residual to some degree.					
<i>Start date:</i> Nothing certainly before 1550 BC and possibly after 1000/900 BC.					
<i>End date:</i> Unclear; nothing certainly after 600 BC, but likely residual.					
<i>Comments:</i> Small conjoining plain body sherds, fairly coarse and profusely tempered with small and medium grits. Broadly MBA>EIA, given site trends, though with similarities to some fabrics in EIA groups in the site assemblage.					
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	?EIA	Flint tempered	1	M	1000/900-600 BC
(1505) TR 15		1 sherd		2 g	
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i> Likely MBA>MBA-LBA or EIA, given site trends, residual.					
<i>Start date:</i> Likely after 1550 BC.					
<i>End date:</i> Unclear, as sherd is residual.					
<i>Comments:</i> Small fractured sherd, no intact surfaces, coarsely fairly frequently tempered with small to large grits, oxidised exterior.					
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA>EIA	Flint tempered	1	M>H	1550-600 BC
Totals		22 sherds		71 g	

6.4.2. BCW-WB-20

6.4.2.1. Named and unstratified contexts

Context		Total sherds	Total weight (g)		
<i>Context:</i>	Information on the nature of the context if known.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Summary of the dating evidence.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely commencement date of the context based on the pottery evidence.				
<i>End date:</i>	Likely end date of the context based on the pottery evidence.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Summary of the material evidence, notable elements and trends.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
Surface cleaning west ditch of ring, brown top deposit		2 sherds	4 g		
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	Scraps only, likely MBA>MBA-LBA or EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC, but material residual to some degree.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Tiny fractured plain body sherd scraps only.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	MBA>EIA	Flint tempered	1	L>M	1550-600 BC
Cleaning		29 sherds	95 g		
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	MBA>MBA-LBA, MBA>EIA and EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>					
<i>End date:</i>					
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherds, variously thick to thin-walled, in a variety of flint tempered fabrics, 5 likely MBA>MBA-LBA, 4 potentially of this date or EIA, the rest likely the latter.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
5	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint tempered	?3/4	L>M	1550-1150 BC
4	MBA>EIA	Flint tempered	?2/4	L>M	1550-600 BC
20	EIA	Flint tempered	5/6	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
Unmarked bag		69 sherds	233 g		
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	All MBA>MBA-LBA plain body sherds, which likely relate to one of the other contexts of this date. It may be possible to match-up with said context via sherd traits and perhaps conjoins. Attention should focus initially on context (2343), the only context who's sherds also featured a visually notable sparse grog element.				
<i>Start date:</i>					
<i>End date:</i>					
<i>Comments:</i>	Small sized sherds and fragments, all plain body sherds.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
69	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint + sparse grog tempered	1/?2	FF>L	1550-1150 BC

Unmarked bag		1 sherd		20 g	
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	A locally untypical BK base sherd, though 1 parallel is known (QEQM Margate, NAM05, TTA; see below). Though likely formerly residual in it's context, it may be worth attempting to locate the find-spot, if possible; the excavator may remember where this came from.				
<i>Start date:</i>					
<i>End date:</i>					
<i>Comments:</i>	Small thick base sherd in a slightly/finely sandy fabric, the exterior showing a band of repeated spaced vertical fingernail impressions along the very lower edge of the vessel. This motif is not commonly encountered on local BK pottery and the fabric is also untypically sparsely tempered for such material. 1 similar example of this decoration is known however (QEQM Margate), though the decoration was obliquely angled, the fabric also sandy and possibly with very sparse grog. The dating currently applied is that for fingernail rusticated Beakers.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	BK	V sparse grog + flint tempered	1	M	2200-1750 BC
Totals			101 sherds		352 g

6.4.2.2. Stratified contexts

Context		Total sherds		Total weight (g)	
<i>Context:</i>	Information on the nature of the context if known.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Summary of the dating evidence.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely commencement date of the context based on the pottery evidence.				
<i>End date:</i>	Likely end date of the context based on the pottery evidence.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Summary of the material evidence, notable elements and trends.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
(2009) [2008]			2 sherds		25 g
<i>Context:</i>	Post-hole.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Both sherds from 2 different MN Peterborough Ware bowls, possibly Mortlake, potentially context-contemporary. The body sherd is in a different (sandy) fabric and includes some grog, which could indicate an overlap with Grooved Ware.				
<i>Start date:</i>	After 3350 BC, possibly after 2900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 2700 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Sandy fabric, as seen in the other MN sherds from this site.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MN	Flint tempered	1	FF	3350-2700 BC
	Medium sized rim sherd, complex, well-moulded, overhanging and undercut, with impressed herringbone on top (short 'comma-like' impressions, some straight, others slightly curved) and side (short lengths of twisted cord), single row of 'comma-like' on inner rim lip, slight rounding of breaks in places but otherwise fairly fresh. Some sparse sand in fabric. 21g. ?Mortlake.				
1	MN	Flint + grog tempered sandy	1	L	3350/?2900-2700 BC
	Small body sherd, notably sandy with occasional flint and grog (1 piece containing large quartz grain), 4 slight small fingernail impressions (same plane). ?Mortlake.				
(2013 A) [2012 A]			2 sherds		11 g
<i>Context:</i>	Primary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, given site trends.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	2 small plain body sherds. 1 medium-walled, heavily tempered, smoothed exterior, slightly more worn but needn't significantly pre-date the other. Other slightly thinner, with both surfaces neatly smoothed/wiped.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	EIA	Flint tempered	2	L	1000/900-600 BC

(2013 B) Kiln wall fragments [2012 B]		2 sherds		12 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Primary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	<p>LN and likely EIA, the former residual, the latter likely context-contemporary, given others of this date also from [2012].</p> <p>*NB. The LN sherd has an edge that shows a subsequently worn conjoin with a largely plain sherd from (2027) of [2026], this featuring the worn remnants of the lower part of the second row of fingernail impressions seen on the sherd from (2013 B). [2026] is situated close to [2012 B] and cuts MN pit [2172], which could be the source of the fresh looking flint tempered MN sherd/s also recovered from [2026]. It is possible that the grog + sparse flint tempered sherd from (2027) of [2026], which conjoins with this sherd from (2013 B), also formerly originated from [2172], meaning that flint tempered MN Peterborough Ware and grog + sparse flint tempered LN Grooved Ware (otherwise an untypical MN fabric) had formerly been occurring in the same feature. It had already been suggested that, because some of the MN sherds in the site assemblage showed some grog temper, it was possible that the presence of grog in the MN Peterborough Ware was indicative that production was being influenced by the presence of Grooved Ware. Thus a date of 2900-2700 BC was suggested for those particular mixed temper fabrics of MN Peterborough Ware in the site assemblage. Now because of the potential former association of MN and LN wares in [2172], a similar range is suggested for the LN Grooved Ware from (2013 B).</p>				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small body sherds, medium-thinnish walled. 1 likely LN Grooved Ware (otherwise a predominantly grog tempered LN Peterborough Ware, late in its range), noting the rarity of this pottery type on Thanet. The other sherd is plain, slightly sandy and likely to be EIA, given similarities with sherds from EIA groups in other contexts.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	LN	Grog + sparse flint tempered	1	M	2900-2700/2450 BC
	Small body sherd with 2 rows of close-set fingernail impressions adjacent a slight carination, above/below which is a very short line of possible narrow twisted cord on an angle to the rest (DRAW). The grog is mostly oxidised, 1 large fragment including flint temper. On its own merits ?LN Grooved Ware, possibly also EBA Food Vessel or Collared Urn, though fingernail decoration is perhaps not a particular trait on Food Vessels and its presence on the latter (1900-1600 BC) may more typically occur as a single row (on the shoulder, potentially as here, or on cordons), while cord impressions would typically occur on the collar. Therefore slight preference for Grooved Ware, with subsequent realisation of a conjoin with a sherd in a similar fabric from (2027) {see discussion in <i>Dating</i> above}.				
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2013 D) [2012 D]		1 sherd		7 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Primary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, given site trends.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	1 small plain body sherd with exterior wiping, fabric akin to others in EIA groups in the site assemblage.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint + sparse grog tempered	1	L	1550-50 BC
(2013E) [2012E]		18 sherds		42 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Primary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	1 potential MN and the rest likely EIA. The former sherd is small but fairly fresh and as such it may have been disturbed from one of 3 MN pits nearby, or perhaps derived from the destruction of another MN feature or horizon, as a result of activity in the EIA (ploughing?). The EIA material is small, fragmented, variously lightly to more moderately worn and some at least could be residual to some degree.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small sherds, most EIA. 1 small body sherd in different looking fabric shows 2 fingernail impressions through a smoothed surface. A few instances of similar but broader fingertip as opposed to fingernail impressions has been noted amongst the EIA material on this site, but [2012E] is only a short distance				

	from MN pits [2008], [2038] and [2172], some of which produced fingernail decorated sherds and a MN date is preferred for now (compare with the other MN and EIA examples).				
Quantity	Period	Ware	Vessels	Wear	Date preference
1	MN	Flint tempered	1	FF	3350-2700 BC
	Small body sherd with neatly smoothed surfaces and 2 fingernail impressions, dark black surfaces and black-brown core (DRAW).				
17	EIA	Flint tempered	3	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
	10 small medium-walled plain body sherds and fragments from 1 vessel, smoothed/wiped black exterior, rest variably oxidised. 6 small thin to medium-walled sherds and fragments likely from 1 vessel, most plain body, 1 from a base with shallow plinth (DRAW) and very open angle to the lower wall, no interior surface intact. 1 other larger small sherd with oxidised surfaces, silty, the exterior appearing quite worn down.				
(2013 F) [2012 F]			18 sherds	77 g	
Context:	Primary fill of ditch.				
Dating:	Likely EIA.				
Start date:	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
End date:	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
Comments:	All plain body sherds, mostly small, 1 medium sized, many fractured but none significantly worn. The latter is 1 of 3 conjoining from a medium-walled vessel potentially of fairly large diameter (possibly around 40cm), with a neatly smoothed (soft burnished) exterior, the fabric showing profuse finely crushed grits. 2 other small thin-walled sherds in a more moderately but finely gritted fabric with both surfaces neatly soft burnished. The remaining sherds from coarser gritted unburnished coarewares. 1 of these could be earlier on gritting traits, but is one of the freshest looking and thus need not pre-date the rest. All are potentially a related group which need not be significantly residual in context, if at all. The gritting character of some conjoining sherds provide the sole evidence for a more specific date, which would most typically be EIA.				
Quantity	Period	Ware	Vessels	Wear	Date preference
18	EIA	Flint tempered	4/?5	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2015 A) [2014 A]			3 sherds	12 g	
Context:	Primary fill of ditch.				
Dating:	Likely EIA, given site trends.				
Start date:	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC, possibly after 600 BC.				
End date:	Nothing certainly after 50 BC.				
Comments:	Small plain body sherds. 1 thick-walled with smoothed black exterior, rest of sherd oxidised, fairly heavily small to medium temper. 2 reduced smaller thinnish-walled with neatly smoothed surfaces, more sparsely tempered.				
Quantity	Period	Ware	Vessels	Wear	Date preference
3	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2027) Top cleaning [2026] NW of (?)pot 1			1 sherd	2 g	
Context:	Post-pit.				
Dating:	Likely EIA given others from this context.				
Start date:	See other entries for this context.				
End date:	See other entries for this context.				
Comments:	Very small plain body sherd.				
Quantity	Period	Ware	Vessels	Wear	Date preference
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC

(2027) [2026]		7 sherds			46 g
<i>Context:</i>	Post-pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	2 MN, appearing fairly fresh but likely derived from (2173) of [2172], which is cut by [2026]. 1 MN sherd has a profusion of finer flint gritting present on the exterior only; purposely applied? *NB. 1 grog + sparse flint tempered sherd features a worn conjoin with a decorated sherd from (2013 B), the latter considered likely to be LN Grooved Ware; see discussion in (2013 B). Also residual are 2 flint + grog tempered sherds which are much more worn than 2 EIA sherds (the latest dated material present). By their condition the former could be MBA-LBA, though flint + grog tempered fabrics can also occur occasionally in the EIA (but less often in comparison).				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	See individual fabric notes.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	MN	Flint tempered	1	FF	3350-2700 BC
	1 small body sherd and 1 conjoining fragment, orange oxidised exterior and brown interior surface, the fabric generally composed of occasional medium and large grits, but the surface notably and unusually shows a profusion of many fine and some medium sized grits (possibly intentionally applied to the surface), with a single horizontal row of fingernail impressions, broken above and shortly below (DRAW).				
1	LN	Grog + sparse flint tempered	1	M	2900-2700/2450 BC
	Small-medium sized body sherd, patchy buff surfaces, worn edges, hints of the remnants of impressed decoration along 1 edge. *NB. Conjoins with sherd from (2013 B); see notes and comments on (2013 B).				
2	?MBA-LBA	Flint + grog tempered	1	M>H	1350-1150 BC
	Medium-walled plain body sherds, occasional to moderate medium sized flint grits, worn.				
2	EIA	Flint tempered	2	L	1000/900-600 BC
	Thin-walled, medium to mostly small and fine temper, 1 fairly profuse, from sub-finewares.				
(2027) Spit 1 [2026]		15 sherds			88 g
<i>Context:</i>	Post-pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Residual MN (likely derived from [2172]) and MBA>EIA, with some fresher but not particularly diagnostic sherds which are preferably EIA, these potentially context-contemporary.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small conjoining MN rim, worn. 1 flint tempered small plain body sherd which by wear likely pre-dates the fresher likely EIA flint tempered material from this context and might be residual MBA>MBA-LBA, but could equally be residual EIA. Said EIA flint tempered sherds are not particularly diagnostic, but share some gritting and surface treatment trends with those seen on sherds in EIA groups from other contexts in the site assemblage. Notable is the presence of sherds in a naturally fine sandy fabric showing the addition of some very sparse flint temper. Though they could date earlier, no grog is obviously present and it is preferred that this fabric is broadly contemporary with the flint tempered sherds of likely EIA date. Such a fabric is noted as a minority ware in EIA assemblages locally.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
4	MN	Flint tempered	1	M	3350-2700 BC
	Small conjoining sherds from rim, with impressed lines forming herringbone on rim top and outer edge, a notable cavetto neck and a horizontal band of impressed short lines as the cavetto returns just above the presumed shoulder, the sherd broken at this point/join. Rim top and exterior shows a thin buff surface, mostly abraded/lost, black core and thin dull brown interior surface. (DRAW).				
1	MBA>EIA	Flint tempered	1	M	1550-600 BC
4	EIA	Sp. flint tempered fine sandy	1/2	L	1000/900-600 BC
	2 conjoin to half of a simple but neatly smoothed flat base, orangey-brown exterior, black core and dark brown interior surface; only lightly worn, with some edge rounding (DRAW). 2 other conjoining very small and thinner walled black-brown sherds in effectively the same naturally fine sandy fabric, either from a separate vessel or much higher up the first vessel.				
6	EIA	Flint tempered	2	FF	1000/900-600 BC
	3 small plain body sherds with oxidised exterior and shallow wiping, black core and interior surface. 3 small reduced fragments from a second vessel. Likely EIA given similarities with other sherds from EIA groups in the site assemblage.				

(2027) Spit 2 [2026]		1 sherd		4 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Post-pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA and potentially context-contemporary, though a single small sherd only.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Probably before 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherd, thin-walled, moderate fine to medium sized grits in a slightly sandy fabric, neatly soft-burnished exterior, likely EIA given site trends.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	FF	1000/900-600 BC
(2027) [2026] Spit 3		2 sherds		20 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Post-pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	2 residual MN, 1 more significantly worn. This feature cuts [2172], which is MN and from which the MN sherds likely derived.				
<i>Start date:</i>	See other entries for this context.				
<i>End date:</i>	See other entries for this context.				
<i>Comments:</i>					
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	MN	Flint tempered	2	M>H	3350-2700 BC
	2 small sherds only. 1 very worn thick-walled body sherd (brownish to orangey throughout), with substantial loss of original (darker grey-black) surface skin, though what remains of this skin hints at the former presence of repeated impressed fingernail decoration. Other has a less worn surface and shows a fingernail impressed herringbone pattern.				
(2037) [2026]		4 sherds		3 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Post-pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Tiny plain body sherd fragments, though akin to fabrics seen in EIA groups in the site assemblage.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
4	EIA	Flint tempered	?1	FF>L	1000/900-600 BC
(2039) Spit 1 [2038]		6 sherds		50 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit. Excavated in Spits of increasing depth from surface.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Small worn sherds, MN, the decorated examples possibly of Mortlake style. NB. All of the sherds from (2039) are of MN Peterborough Ware and likely broadly contemporary with each other and their context, while the presence of mixed flint and grog tempered fabrics could suggest that the material post-dates the arrival of Grooved Ware. While the sherds from Spit 1 are worn and residual to some degree, the condition improves with depth and note the larger quantity of fresher material from the lowest Spit, Spit 5. Might the infilling of the later upper Spits have been a result of a gradual natural accumulation incorporating adjacent and now slightly residual artefacts, or perhaps the material was intentionally deposited from weathered rubbish heaps, or they might contain pottery that had seen more use, ie. the surfaces were more worn by extensive handling, unlike the material in the base of the pit.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 3350 BC and possibly after 2900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 2700 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	All are made from a similar fine to medium sized light to light-moderate sandy fabric.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
4	MN	Flint tempered	?2	M	3350-2700 BC
	Small body sherds. 1 with fingernail impressions (buff exterior, black core), surface worn/abraded (DRAW). 1 with 3 raised ribs showing short curving 'comma' like impressions either side forming a herringbone pattern (buff throughout), ?Mortlake (DRAW). 2 other plain body sherds (buff throughout).				
2	MN	Flint + grog tempered	1	M	3350/2900-2700 BC
	Conjoining small plain body sherds, buff exterior surface, black interior surface and core, featuring angular and rounded brown grog.				

(2039) Spit 2 [2038]		2 sherds			4 g
<i>Context:</i>	See above for another entry from this context.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Small worn sherds of MN, a decorated example possibly Mortlake.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 3350 BC and possibly after 2900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 2700 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	In a similar sandy fabric as seen in others from this context. 1 fingernail decorated sherd has a fresher surface than an example from Spit 1.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	MN	Flint tempered	?1	M	3350-2700 BC
	Small dark reduced body sherds, mostly black with slight oxidised brown patches. 1 with fingernail impressions (with a buff interior surface), ?Mortlake.				
(2039) Spit 3 [2038]		4 sherds			21 g
<i>Context:</i>	See above for another entry from this context.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Small sherds of MN, 2 fresher looking examples in a mixed flint and grog tempered fabric, 1 a rim conjoining with another from Spit 4.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 3350 BC and possibly after 2900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 2700 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	In a similar sandy fabric as seen in others from this context.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	MN	Flint tempered	1	M	3350-2700 BC
	Small body sherds, dark reduced with slight patchy orange oxidisation. 1 with twisted cord impressions forming a single ?horizontal line with repeated acute angled lines above/below, surface worn (DRAW). ?Ebbsfleet/Mortlake.				
2	MN	Flint + grog tempered	2	L	3350/2900-2700 BC
	Small. 1 rim with a herringbone of impressed twisted cord on its upper surface and continuing onto its narrow and overhanging rim exterior (no interior overhang), with a short but notable incurving cavetto zone which features a repeating incised criss-cross line motif that continues below the shoulder, sherd broken just below the shoulder, buff throughout; *conjoins with rim from Spit 4 (DRAW). Other sherd a plain body sherd, black with buff interior surface, the angular and rounded grog notably standing out in buff and orangey colours.				
(2039) Spit 4 [2038]		4 sherds			36 g
<i>Context:</i>	See above for another entry from this context.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Small sherds of MN, variously fairly fresh to much more worn. 3 examples are decorated, possibly of Mortlake style, these fairly fresh to lightly worn, including 2 sherds in mixed flint and grog temper.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 3350 BC and possibly after 2900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 2700 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Most in a similar sandy fabric as seen in others from this context, except (less obviously so) in 1 fingernail decorated body sherd.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	MN	Flint tempered	2	FF>H	3350-2700 BC
	Small body sherds. 1 fairly fresh (buff surfaces and black core) with 4 raised ribs and 'comma' impressions as seen in a sherd from Spit 1, though the surface of that sherd is much more worn-down (DRAW); ?Mortlake. 1 more heavily abraded sherd possibly from a concave cavetto neck (black exterior surface only partially surviving, rest orangey-brown).				
2	MN	Flint + grog tempered	2	L	3350/2900-2700 BC
	Small. 1 rim decorated as and conjoining with example from Spit 3*, with hints of the beginnings of 2 raised (?applied) 'bumps' on this edge, as seen on an identical rim from (2173) Spit 1, possibly from the same vessel (DRAW). 1 body sherd with fingernail impressions, surface slightly worn, black core with buff interior surface and patchy black and buff exterior, grog often orangey (DRAW). Both ?Mortlake. NB. fabric not so obvious sandy as the general trend seen in the others from this context.				

(2039) Spit 5 [2038]		12 sherds		104 g	
<i>Context:</i>	See above for another entry from this context.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All MN, the majority decorated and most could derive from a single Mortlake vessel. 1 sherd in a flint and sparse grog tempered fabric also present. None are significantly worn and all are potentially context-contemporary. Note the contrast with more worn material recovered from the highest Spits.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 3350 BC and possibly after 2900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 2700 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	In a similar sandy fabric as seen in others from this context.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
11	MN	Flint tempered	?1/3	L	3350-2700 BC
	The majority are only lightly worn and at least 9, possibly 10, could derive from a single vessel. Only 1 small thicker (body) sherd is undecorated and this could derive from a different vessel (otherwise from a base related to the rest?). 3 sherds conjoin to a fairly large piece of rim, overhanging the interior and exterior and of short collar-like form, the rim featuring impressed herringbone decoration on the rim top and both sides (the clearest impressions are slightly curving 'comma'/?fingernail shaped slots), with a deep cavetto neck and traces of a defined ridge on the shoulder, where the sherd breaks, above this on 1 sherd there is a horizontal line of twisted cord (DRAW). 6 body sherds with a similar character and surface colouration feature impressed fingernail, which on 1 slightly larger small sherd occurs in a regular ordered scheme either side of and at right angles to a line of impressed twisted cord (DRAW). Another body sherd, with slightly different colouration (potentially though not necessarily from a third vessel), shows 2 lines of impressed twisted cord (DRAW). All the body sherds have a black core with brown surfaces; the rim is generally brownish/sometimes orangey-brownish throughout, with dark grey-black patches on the exterior of 1 sherd. ?Mortlake.				
1	MN	Flint + sparse grog tempered	1	FF>L	3350/2900-2700 BC
	Medium sized body sherd with a herringbone pattern of impressed twisted cord. The grog content is sparser and finer than that seen in other fabrics from this context. The edges are chipped and slightly worn, but the exterior surface appears fairly fresh (DRAW).				
(2039) [2038]		4 sherds		30 g	
<i>Context:</i>	See above for another entry from this context.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All MN, most decorated and possibly from a single Mortlake vessel. The sherds are somewhat shattered, though the surfaces are fairly sharp and unworn; potentially context-contemporary.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 3350 BC and possibly after 2900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 2700 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	3 small and 1 slightly more medium sized sherd, all in a similar sandy fabric as seen in others from this context.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
4	MN	Flint tempered	1	L	3350-2700 BC
	3 small fractured fragments, 2 with decoration as on the larger sherd, which features an undecorated concave upper cavetto zone, bordered below by 6 horizontal lines of twisted cord, below which the scheme changes to acute angled lines of same (DRAW 1). ?Mortlake. The surface of the larger sherd is fairly fresh and unworn. All with dark grey-black exterior and the core and interior surfaces brownish.				
(2050) A [2049]		1 sherd		13 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Broadly MBA>EIA, with a slight preference for EIA, residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC and possibly after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear, as sherd is residual.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherd, thick-walled, moderate coarse temper, edges worn.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA>EIA/?EIA	Flint tempered	1	M	1550/900-600 BC

(2052A) [2051] A		34 sherds		199 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, context-contemporary.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	At least 29 small and medium sized reduced sherds are potentially from a single coarseware, roughly wiped, with 1 small rim with a short interior bevel (notably similar to, but lacking the exterior lip of, a sherd in (2348) Top) and 1 small base sherd with a short exterior foot/plinth and finger-pinched forming hollows above this (DRAW 2); some conjoins are likely but a full profile may not be reconstructable. 5 small plain body sherds with buff and dirty buff surfaces and a black core may derive from a second vessel.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
34	EIA	Flint tempered	?2	FF	1000/900-600 BC
(2052A) [2051A] Spit 1		2 sherds		15 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	1 likely EIA, which is more worn than a sherd broadly MBA>EIA that may therefore be EIA (unless fresher looking MBA>MBA-LBA material is also being redeposited into this fill).				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherds, 1 fairly thick-walled in a sandy fabric likely EIA, which is more worn than the other, very thick sherd, who's thickness is more typical of MBA>MBA-LBA, though occasional very thick sherds of likely EIA date {eg in (2053) of [2051B]} do occur.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA>EIA/?EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1550/900-600 BC
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	M	1000/900-600 BC
(2052a) [2051a] Spit 2		1 sherd		3 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA and not obviously significantly worn and residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Single small fairly thin-walled plain body sherd, akin to some other fabrics in EIA groups in the site assemblage.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2053) [2051B]		7 sherds		21 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All likely EIA, considering site trends.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherds in sandy fabrics, most thin or medium-walled, 1 notably thick-walled with smoothed surfaces and subtle carination (this could date widely and even be FN, given form and sparse coarse gritting, though on condition there is no particular reason to presume it pre-dates the rest).				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
7	EIA	Flint tempered	?2/3	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2054) [2087]		1 sherd		7 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, but potentially residual to some degree.				
<i>Start date:</i>	After 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear, as sherd could be residual.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small fairly thin-walled plain body sherd from a coarseware, similar fabric seen in other EIA groups in the site assemblage, edges fairly sharp but suffering surface loss.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC

(2056) Top [2055]		1 sherd		7 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA and not significantly worn, but a single sherd only.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherd, neatly soft burnished exterior. Could date widely, but likely EIA on site trends (nothing certainly later).				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2059) [2057]		8 sherds		11 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of recut of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Fragmented single small sherd, broadly MBA>EIA, with very slight preference for MBA>MBA-LBA, but could easily be EIA, relationship unclear and potentially residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear; sherd could be residual.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small fragments of likely a single thick-walled plain body sherd (2 conjoining), reduced.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
8	MBA>EIA	Flint tempered	1	L>M	1550-1150/600 BC
(2061) [2060]		1 sherd		8 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of gully.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Undiagnostic single small sherd, potentially context-contemporary on the basis of condition. Likely MBA>MBA-LBA or EIA, given site trends, with perhaps a very slight preference for the former, but could easily be the latter.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherd, fairly thick-walled, fairly heavily tempered.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA>EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1550-1150/900-600 BC
(2065A) [2064A]		5 sherds		12 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Possible MN and likely EIA material, the former residual and the latter's relationship to the context unclear.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	See other entry from (2065B).				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small body sherds and fragments only. 4 heavily tempered likely EIA. 1 tiny scrap in a different fabric features a hint of a remnant of possible twisted cord impression, likely MN if so, given other occurrences in the site assemblage.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MN	Flint tempered	1	-	3350-2700 BC
4	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2065B) [2064] B		10 sherds		25 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA and potentially context-contemporary.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Mostly small sherds, 1 more medium sized, all plain body sherds, with fabrics and appearances akin to others in EIA groups in the site assemblage.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
10	EIA	Flint tempered	2/3	FF	1000/900-600 BC

(2071)		9 sherds		78 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Subsoil.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All likely EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small and medium sized, all with oxidised/partially oxidised surfaces, most plain body sherds, with 1 small simple upright rim with excess clay fold-over lip on exterior. 1 body sherd with some fine gritting. 6/7 sherds with moderate medium to some coarse grits.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
9	EIA	Flint tempered	2/4	FF>L	1000/900-600 BC
(2071) Above [2062A]		2 sherds		19 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Subsoil.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	1 small fragment and 1 medium sized, both plain body sherds, the larger of which (and perhaps both) might be part of a vessel from the other entry from the same context (see above).				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	EIA	Flint tempered	-	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2073) [2072]		69 sherds		551 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Primary fill of terminus.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All likely EIA, some sherds potentially from the same vessel showing differing degrees of surface loss and some edge rounding, but all likely context-contemporary.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small, medium and larger sized sherds, all coarseware plain body sherds, most medium-walled, a couple of smaller thicker sherds perhaps from base area. 22 from 1 vessel (moderately tempered, some wiping, some partially dull oxidised exterior surfaces), up to 43 from another (with partial orange oxidised surfaces and moderately tempered silty look, with crudely/simplely wiped exterior and some surface loss), with 4 small sherds (with neatly smoothed surfaces) possibly from a 3rd.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
69	EIA	Flint tempered	3	FF>L	1000/900-600 BC
(2074) [2051 B]		6 sherds		9 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, but potentially residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear, as sherds may be residual.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small fractured sherds and fragments, all plain body sherds in fine sandy fabric with neatly smoothed surfaces, could date widely but more likely EIA given other material in [2051] 'A'.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
6	EIA	Flint tempered	1/2	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2075) [2087]		3 sherds		6 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, given lack of any certain evidence of later Prehistoric activity in the pottery assemblage, but notably in a glauconitic sandy fabric, which would suggest they are imported/travelled finewares made in one of the Greensand areas of Kent. Such glauconitic wares of this date are very rare occurrences in Thanet (being more common here after 200/150 BC).				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherds, notably with a high proportion of fine rounded black grains within the fabric, these not noted particularly in the other sandy fabrics in the site assemblage at present. These sherds could be travelled finewares who's origins may lay in the Greensand zone (along the southern edge of the				

	North Downs), such areas closest to Thanet laying approximately between Folkestone and the Medway (the Folkestone products can have a calcareous element, which is not present in these particular sherds).				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
3	EIA	Flint temp. glauconitic sandy	2	L	1000/900-600 BC
	Small, thin-walled plain body sherds, 1 dull orange oxidised, 2 black, all smoothed surfaces, finewares.				
(2076) [2051B]			1 sherd	10 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA and considering lack of certain evidence for later material in the site assemblage.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Noting others from [2051], likely after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Noting others from [2051], nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherd, fairly thick-walled, occasional small to large coarse grits and lesser fine oxidised grog, notably with a very neatly soft burnished exterior (oxidised, rest grey-black). Could date widely, but the neatly burnished exterior more likely EIA than earlier and particularly so given site trends.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint + grog tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2085) Surface cleaning			2 sherds	5 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Surface of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	After 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Likely before 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherds, but akin to material from other EIA groups in the site assemblage. 1 thin-walled fineware with mostly fine temper and smoothed/soft-burnished surfaces.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	EIA	Flint tempered	2	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2094) [2087]			5 sherds	12 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All likely EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small fairly thin-walled sherds with neatly smoothed surfaces. 1 sherd and 1 conjoining fragment from a gently everting fineware rim with neat soft burnished tooled surfaces (DRAW), broken above shoulder.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
5	EIA	Flint tempered	2/3	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2097) [2087]			11 sherds	36 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All likely EIA given site trends and potentially context-contemporary.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherds. 1 thicker-walled more coarsely gritted sherd could but need not date earlier, given the similarities in their condition. 9 of the rest are from 2 (8 sherds; 1 sherd) thin-walled finewares/sub-finewares with neatly smoothed/dull burnished surfaces in sandy fabrics, the other a thicker-walled sherd again with similarly neat surfaces.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
11	EIA	Flint tempered	4	FF	1000/900-600 B

(2101) [2087]		1 sherd		2 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	1 only, likely EIA given site trends.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC, the sherd not significantly worn, but a single small instance only.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherd in a sandy fabric, fairly thin-walled and neatly smoothed surfaces, likely EIA given site trends. Technically could be earlier and a MBA>/MBA-LBA fineware, though no other instances of such have been noted in the site assemblage as yet.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2103) [2087]		15 sherds		31 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All are likely to be EIA, given site trends, with 2 notable sherds that have uncommon natural chalk inclusions in their fabrics being much more worn than the rest and residual, though they need not pre-date the period.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly earlier than 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly later than 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	All small sherds and fragments, plain body sherds except for 1 simple rim. Notable are 2 sherds with likely natural chalk inclusions in the fabrics, not a common occurrence in the site assemblage or in general, though not unknown (demonstrating different clay source). Their more worn (residual) state in comparison to the rest is also notable, though they need not and do not obviously significantly pre-date.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	?EIA	Fine sandy with sparse chalk	1	H	1000/900-600 BC
	Fine sandy with occasional small to medium sized rounded stone grits, plus some fine angular white grits which might be flint temper, but otherwise are natural inclusions. Some black sand grains in chalk, but fabric not otherwise Glauconitic.				
1	?EIA	Flint tempered + chalk inc.	1	M	1000/900-600 BC
13	EIA	Flint tempered	?4	FF>L	1000/900-600 BC
	Including 1 simple upright rim with dull burnished surfaces (DRAW).				
(2107) [2087]		7 sherds		5 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Undiagnostic residual scraps, potentially MN, MBA>MBA-LBA or EIA, given the occurrence of this material as the major foci of activity on this site and more likely LP.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely after 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear; pottery is residual.				
<i>Comments:</i>	1 small worn body sherd and the rest tiny fractured scraps, all in sandy fabric.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
7	MBA>EIA	Flint tempered	?1	M	1550-600 BC
(2108) [2087]		24 sherds		32 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All likely EIA and, though small sized and fragmentary, none are significantly worn and obviously residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	All small plain body sherds, generally in fine sandy fabrics, medium to thin-walled, some neatly smoothed/soft burnished pieces from finewares/sub-finewares, 1 tiny fragment of simple ?upright rim sherd. Could be later than EIA but there is no other certain evidence of such periods in the site assemblage at present.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
24	EIA	Flint tempered	?6	FF>L	1000/900-600 BC

(2123) [2122]		5 sherds		4 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of gully.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA given site trends. Relationship of these small fragments, possibly a fragmented single small sherd, to the context is unclear.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear, though nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Very small plain body sherds, fairly thin-walled and preferably EIA given site trends.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
5	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2127) A [2126]		1 sherd		3 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of gully.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, but residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear; single sherd is residual.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small simple upright rim (DRAW), unusually for the site assemblage orange oxidised throughout, medium-walled, more likely EIA given site trends and no evidence that it is significantly early.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	?EIA	Flint tempered	1	M	1000/900-600 BC
(2173) Top cleaning [2172]		1 sherd		11 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit. Excavated in Spits of increasing depth from surface.				
<i>Dating:</i>	<p>MN sherd decorated with small sized fingernail impressions (?Mortlake), perhaps made by using the little finger, or possibly a child's finger, though the scheme is neatly applied (in rows), which may argue against the latter (unless strictly directed). NB. The fingernail impressions seen on the MN sherds from (2039) are larger.</p> <p>NB. All from (2173) are MN Peterborough Ware, likely context-contemporary and potentially associated with the same phase of activity as in (2039). No conjoins between these contexts have been noted as yet, but some sherds with (2173) and (2039) could have derived from the same vessels. There is also a shared similarity in the sandy fabric used as a base for the wares.</p>				
<i>Start date:</i>	After 3350 BC, possibly after 2900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 2700 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	In a similar sandy fabric as seen in others from this context and the MN sherds in (2039).				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MN	Flint tempered	1	L>M	3350-2700 BC
	Small body sherd with very small fine and neat child-sized fingernail decoration in rows, offset at right angles from other rows likely of similar (though appearing more worn) decoration (buff to orangey-brown throughout). ?Mortlake (DRAW).				
(2173) Spit 1 [2172]		10 sherds		73 g	
<i>Context:</i>	See above for another entry from this context.				
<i>Dating:</i>	<p>All MN, some conjoining to a fairly large body panel, plus 1 relatively fresh rim possibly of Mortlake style. The latter is in identical form and decoration to a rim from (2039) Spits 3 and 4. The rim sherds from (2173) and (2039) do not conjoin and are different coloration, though they could easily derive from the same vessel (or were otherwise manufactured by the same potter). The body panel noted here is of effectively identical character to 2 sherds from (2039) Spit 1 and it seems likely that these also derive from a single vessel (though not necessarily the same as the rim). All from Spit 1 are in a flint and grog tempered fabric, which could suggest they date late within the MN range, potentially being influenced by grog tempered Grooved Ware.</p>				
<i>Start date:</i>	After 3350 BC and possibly after 2900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 2700 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	In a similar sandy fabric as seen in others from this context and the MN sherds in (2039).				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
10	MN	Flint + grog tempered	?2	FF	3350/2900-2700 BC
	Small to medium sized sherds. 4 conjoin (and a 5 th likely relates) to a relatively large sized plain body panel (buff exterior, core and interior surface black). 4 dark (mostly black) reduced small fragments possibly from a concave neck and shoulder, 1 showing part of a raised/applied 'bump' which may well				

	be the same element as noted on the single rim present. The rim (dark buff exterior, black core and interior surface) is identical in decorative style as the rims seen in (2039) Spits 3 and 4, but also features part of a (broken) small ?applied circular pellet with a concave centre, placed below the shoulder at the lower visible (remaining) portion of the incised criss-cross scheme; ?Mortlake (DRAW). The grog in all is similarly rounded or angular, mostly small and variously brownish.				
(2173) Spit 2 [2172]			2 sherds	12 g	
<i>Context:</i>	See above for another entry from this context.				
<i>Dating:</i>	MN, 1 rim at least appearing relatively fresh.				
<i>Start date:</i>	After 3350 BC and possibly after 2900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 2700 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small sherds in a similar sandy fabric as seen in others from this context and the MN sherds in (2039). Decoration not particularly worn.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MN	Flint tempered	1	FF	3350-2700 BC
	Small rim fragment, the top decorated with an impressed herringbone of twisted cord, overlapping a little on 1 side (reduced black throughout)				
1	MN	Flint + grog tempered	1	L	3350/2900-2700 BC
	Small plain body sherd (black with thin pale brown exterior surface), mostly angular small brown and orangey-brown grog.				
(2179) [2178]			8 sherds	26 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Post-hole.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All likely EIA, most perhaps slightly residual to some degree, but need not be significantly so, with 1 (the largest) more worn. Given the quantity, it is likely they are period-contemporary at least.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Mostly small plain body sherds and scraps, with little diagnostic data, though all but 2 are fairly thin-walled (others medium-walled), with fabrics and appearance akin to some others in EIA groups from this site. Notably, 1 more medium sized worn sherd shows a lumpy surface which could be applied rustication (DRAW), this typically EMIA 550-350/300 BC and most dominant between 500 and 400 BC, but no other certain evidence of this period in the site assemblage and 2 other small sherds from EIA context (2209) Spit 2 show a similar lumpy uneven surface.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
8	EIA	Flint tempered	5	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2203) [2202]			4 sherds	2 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Post-hole.				
<i>Dating:</i>	A single fragmented very small sherd likely broadly MBA>EIA given site trends.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC, but relationship to context unclear.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Tiny fragments plus additional bits only, all likely from a single sherd.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
4	MBA>EIA	Flint tempered ware	1	-	1550-600 BC
(2206) [2205] Spit 3			1 sherd	5 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Post-pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA and unlikely later considering site trends, potentially residual to some degree but perhaps not significantly so.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherd, medium-walled, with notably orange oxidised exterior, rest black.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	?EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC

(2208) [2207B]		14 sherds	32 g		
<i>Context:</i>	Primary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA and context-contemporary.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small sherds and broken fragments, all plain body sherds.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
14	EIA	Flint tempered	4	FF>L	1000/900-600 BC
(2209) [2207] Intersection cleaning		4 sherds	6 g		
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherds in sandy fabric with neatly soft burnished surfaces.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
4	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2209) [2207] A		13 sherds	65 g		
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All likely EIA and context-contemporary.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	All small to medium sized body sherds, most plain, 2 small conjoining sherds show 2 fingertip impressions in a horizontal line at a subtle change in body angle (DRAW). 1 thinner walled sherd with profuse fine flint temper and soft burnished exterior. 1 medium walled sherd in a coarse fairly heavily flint tempered fabric has a look which could easily date earlier, but is not significantly more worn than the others and notably is thinner-walled than the typical MBA>MBA-LBA urn sherds from this site.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
13	EIA	Flint tempered	4	FF>L	1000/900-600 BC
(2209A) [2207A]		1 sherd	2 g		
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, given site trends.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Very small plain body sherd, sandy fabric with smoothed surfaces.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2209) B [2207] Spit 1		1 sherd	41 g		
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely MBA>MBA-LBA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Sherd is likely residual to some degree and note that much EIA material has been recovered from other (2009) contexts.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Very thick-walled plain body sherd, heavily gritted (the grog is very small) but lacking the coarser flint grits typical in other examples of this ware. The very thick walls suggest this is unlikely to be EIA however.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint + sparse grog tempered	1	L>M	1550-1150 BC

(2209) Spit 2 [2207] Slot B		22 sherds		90 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Variouly worn sherds, the sole specific diagnostic element being a bevelled rim of EIA date. None of the other material are obviously or need be earlier or later and all could potentially be broadly related and broadly contemporary with their context, though somewhat derived.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Mostly small sherds and fragments, 1 medium sized, all bar 2 conjoining small rim sherds are plain body sherds, generally reduced and with a variously sandy element. The rim has buff surfaces and a black core, a moderately coarse moderately gritty fabric and a notable interior bevel (DRAW), which is the only more specific diagnostic trait in the collection.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
22	EIA	Flint tempered	?4	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2213) [2212]		2 sherds		22 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Primary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	The freshest looking sherd is likely MBA>MBA-LBA; the other could date wider but is residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 1150 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Both plain body sherds. 1 small-medium sized thick-walled sherd, fractured but not significantly worn, more likely MBA>MBA-LBA. Other small and more worn and would have a wider range, but is residual. Both reduced with variously oxidised exteriors.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint tempered	2	L>M	1550-1150 BC
(2214) [2212]		5 sherds		4 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Small, fractured but not particularly worn sherds, broadly MBA>EIA on site trends only.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Very small sherds and tiny fragments, all plain body sherds with orange oxidised surfaces and black cores.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
5	MBA>EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1550-600 BC
(2215)		26 sherds		155 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pottery spread.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Potentially the remains of a single vessel with a post-firing pierced base, no sherds from the upper part remaining; possibly intentionally buried and subsequently plough-truncated? Shares some manufacturing similarities to a base sherd in (2052A), likely EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Likely before 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	8 small to medium sized sherds from a base, the exterior showing finger-forming indentations as seen on a base from (2052A), considered EIA at present. 2 of these sherds are not from the edge but from the centre and feature a large hole executed post-firing. Only 2 of the edge sherds conjoin, the majority showing well-rounded worn breaks, but all 8 are considered at present to derive from a single vessel (DRAW). The remainder are small sherds and fragments in a similar sandy fabric, some possibly also deriving from the base, most plain body sherds.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
26	EIA	Flint tempered	?1	M	1000/900-600 BC

(2217) [2216]		2 sherds		10 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	1 residual piece potentially MBA>MBA-LBA. 1 fresher looking but tiny splintered/fragmentary sherd only broadly MBA>EIA, given site trends. 1 surface on each appears similar and it is possible they are from different parts of the same vessel, both residual if so.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC, but at least 1 sherd is residual and both may be.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small fragmentary sherds. 1 larger thick-walled sherd with only the exterior surface intact, the exposed internal core very worn, likely MBA>MBA-LBA particularly given thickness. Other a tiny more medium-walled fresher looking fragment, MBA>EIA.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint tempered	1	H	1550-1150 BC
1	MBA>EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1550-600 BC
(2219) [2218]		2 sherds		4 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Broadly MBA/MBA-LBA>EIA and preferably EIA, not significantly worn, but a small single sherd only.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely after 1550/1350 BC and probably after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Conjoining to a small medium-walled plain body sherd.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	EIA	Flint + sparse grog tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2221) [2220]		16 sherds		4 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Tiny splintered fragments only, but likely MBA>EIA given site trends and the lack of any coarse gritting gives a slight preference for the EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC and potentially after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC, but relationship to context unclear.				
<i>Comments:</i>					
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
16	MBA>EIA/?EIA	Flint tempered	?1	-	1550-600 BC
(2225) [2224]		15 sherds		17 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of terminus.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small sherds and fragments, fairly heavily tempered, most plain body sherds, with 1 small upright simple rim sherd (DRAW), this somewhat similar in fabric character, appearance and potentially diameter (though lacking the short internal bevel) of a sherd from (2348).				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
15	EIA	Flint tempered	1/2	FF>L	1000/900-600 BC
(2227A) [2226A]		6 sherds		5 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of gully.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Fragments only, likely from a single small thick-walled sherd, broadly MBA>EIA given site trends and on thickness and fragility alone it just might be (or have been) MBA>MBA-LBA, but this is speculation on absolutely minimal evidence.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Possibly after 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Fractured small sherd fragment and associated tiny bits.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
6	?MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint tempered	1	-	1550-1150 BC

(2248) [2087]		2 sherds		2 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Small fragments only, but likely EIA given site trends.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC, but relationship to context unclear.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Very small plain body sherds, neatly smoothed surfaces, fineware/sub-fineware.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	EIA	Flint tempered	?1	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2249) [2087]		1 sherd		4 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Secondary fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA given site trends and though small is not significantly worn.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherd, sandy fabric and appearance akin to others in EIA groups in the site assemblage.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2264) [2087]		1 sherd		20 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Broadly MBA>EIA given site trends, but perhaps more likely EIA considering that the MBA>MBA-LBA material in the site assemblage does not typically at present show surfaces treated such. Potentially context-contemporary.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 1550 BC and probably after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Medium-sized thick-walled plain body sherd with neatly smoothed/wiped surfaces, fairly coarse temper.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	FF	1000/900-600 BC
(2278) [2087]		3 sherds		15 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Both probably EIA, 1 fresher, 1 potentially residual to some degree.				
<i>Start date:</i>	After 1550 BC and nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Plain body sherds only. 2 small sherds conjoin to a thick-walled plain body sherd, coarsely tempered but with neatly smoothed surfaces and a somewhat sandy fabric, which gives a slight EIA preference within a broader likely MBA>EIA range (given site trends). Other sherd a very small scrap, fairly thin-walled and in a sandy fabric, with edges rounded/more worn, likely EIA given site trends.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	MBA>EIA/?EIA	Flint tempered	1	FF	1000/900-600 BC
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2279) [2087]		2 sherds		7 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Both likely EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC, but 1 sherd at least could be residual to some degree.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherds. 1 fresher sherd could date more widely on gridding trends, but is medium-walled and more likely EIA than MBA>MBA-LBA on site trends.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA>EIA/?EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	M	1000/900-600 BC

(2280) [2087]		6 sherds		17 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All likely EIA, considering site trends, but with fresher and residual material.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherds, thin or medium-walled sandy fabrics, variously worn, but none need pre-date the period.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
6	EIA	Flint tempered	?5/6	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2282) [2087]		11 sherds		14 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of ring-ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Most, potentially all, EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small sherds and fragments, all plain body sherds and in sandy fabrics, most likely EIA given site trends. 1 could but need not pre-date.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
11	EIA	Flint tempered	3	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2294) [2293]		6 sherds		45 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Shallow pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All likely from a single MBA>MBA-LBA vessel, relationship to context unclear.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing after 1150 BC, but the relationship of the sherds to the context is unclear.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Thick-walled body sherds, very concreted with a chalk deposit.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
6	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint tempered	1	-	1550-1150 BC
(2302) [2301]		3 sherds		5 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Most/potentially all likely EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small and very small medium-walled plain body sherds. 1 larger fresher looking sherd could date more widely but needn't pre-date the others, which are preferable EIA.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
3	EIA	Flint tempered	3	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2302 B) [2301 B]		25 sherds		130 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All likely EIA (none need pre or post-date), with some fresher and other more worn material.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Mostly small plain body sherds, 3 likely from 1 vessel with patchy orange oxidisation on the exterior (rest black), 16 potentially from another single (black-brown) vessel with occasional large coarse flint grits and smoothed/wiped surfaces. 1 more medium sized sherd from the edge of a thick base (DRAW), showing finger-pressed forming marks on the exterior lower edge (forming marks also occur on an EIA base from (2052A) though these sit above an exterior plinth). Majority in sandy fabrics.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
25	EIA	Flint tempered	4	FF>M	1000/900-600 BC

(2302C) [2301C]		1 sherd		28 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of a ditch considered likely to be a re-cut.				
<i>Dating:</i>	MBA>MBA-LBA or EIA, with perhaps a very slight preference for the former, though with reservations.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC and possibly after 1350 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear. Given this may be a re-cut, it is possible that the sherd has been re-deposited from that earlier phase, for slots [2207] through what appears to be the same ditch have mostly produced EIA, along with 1 sherd of MBA>MBA-LBA in a similar fabric from (2209) B. Consider relationships and relative horizons.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Medium sized thick-walled plain body sherd, oxidised surfaces, coarsely tempered, with reduced and oxidised grog. Sherd appears to have minimal curvature (large diameter). Fabric not obviously sandy.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	?MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint + sparse grog tempered	1	L	1550/1350-1150 BC
(2304) Top [2303]		4 sherds		6 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of monument ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Probable MBA-LBA and EIA, the former significantly residual, the latter fresher.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Likely after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC, though the latest sherds are small and fragmentary, so their relationship to the context is unclear at present.				
<i>Comments:</i>	All small plain body sherds. 1 very worn and residual mixed temper sherd could date widely, but is more likely MBA-LBA considering site trends. Likewise the 3 fresher, later, sherds from a single vessel, which are probably EIA given site trends.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA-LBA	Flint + grog tempered	1	H	1350-1150 BC
	Small rounded plain body sherd, 2-tone firing with bright buff exterior and black interior. Could be BK>EBA or MBA-LBA considering site trends, more likely the latter.				
3	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
	Small plain body sherds, smoothed surfaces, could date widely but likely EIA given site trends.				
(2304) Top mid [2303]		1 sherd		7 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of monument ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	M, not significantly worn, but given the context this could represent a ploughed-in intrusion. Review alongside the frequency and condition of any other dated material present.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1275 AD.				
<i>End date:</i>	Possibly by 1375, unless the sole sherd present is intrusive.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small body sherd with 2 grooved lines and a green glaze, appears to be on the way to the harder fired LM fabrics but is not very hard, concretions on interior surface and sections.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	M	Canterbury Tyler Hill sandy	1	L	1275/1300-1350 AD
(2310) Spit 2 [2303]		1 sherd		9 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of monument ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	MBA>MBA-LBA or EIA, with slight preference for the latter given the sandy fabric, which is more typical of the EIA material from this site.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC and possibly after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear. Nothing certainly after 600 BC, though sherd could be residual to some degree.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherd, thick-walled, coarsely tempered, sandy fabric, oxidised exterior, rest black. The surfaces in reasonable condition, the edges more rounded.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA>EIA/?EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1550/900-600 BC

(2314) [2313]		2 sherds		2 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Small scraps only, though likely EIA. Relationship to context unclear.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Tiny fragments of medium-walled plain body sherds, likely EIA given appearance and site trends.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	EIA	Flint tempered	?2	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2314B) [2113B]		84 sherds		252 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Includes fresh thick-walled sherds of MBA>MBA-LBA date, to which other thinner-walled and slightly more worn/abraded sherds could relate, though in appearance the latter are little different to some sherds in the EIA groups in the site assemblage. Note that this context could be from an earlier phase of this ditch prior to an episode of re-cutting. Consider the date of the re-cut and whether some mixing of material is possible, for the contrast in the condition of the two sets of sherds is notable, though need not imply different dates. Another issue however is that the majority if not all of the MBA>MBA-LBA material seen so far in the site assemblage comprises thicker-walled coarsely tempered coarseware fabrics which are not particularly comparable to the thinner-walled sherds from this context.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Note the comments above.				
<i>Comments:</i>	All bar 1 are small sized sherds, 1 medium sized, all plain body sherds, plus a bag of bits. The majority are small thick-walled coarsely tempered sherds and associated fragments from perhaps 1/2 vessels, likely MBA>MBA-LBA. Also 12 small and 1 medium sized thinner-walled less coarsely tempered sherds from perhaps 2/3 vessels, which could date later and are little different to some sherds in the EIA groups on this site. No surfaces show particular treatment beyond hand smoothing, with possibly some wiping on some of the thinner walled sherds.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
72	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint + v. sparse grog tempered	?1/2	F	1550-1150 BC
12	MBA>MBA-LBA/EIA	Flint tempered	?2/3	L	1550/900-600 BC
(2321) [2320]		3 sherds		3 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Post-hole.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Minimal evidence, though likely EIA on site trends, residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear, residual.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small fragments conjoining to 1 small plain body sherd, worn, moderate medium grade temper, medium-walled, dull orangey oxidised exterior.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
3	EIA	Flint tempered	1	M	1000/900-600 BC
(2322) [2331]		13 sherds		29 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All small, fragmentary and variously worn, though likely related and EIA. Most are potentially residual to some degree, though given others in (2323) from the same feature the material in (2322) is likely to be phase-contemporary.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900-600 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small sherds, with 1 base fragment, the rest plain body sherds. 1 medium-walled with heavy gritting. 8 from 1 vessel with a worn thin orange oxidised exterior surface, rest grey-black.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
13	EIA	Flint tempered	4	L>M	1000/900-600 BC

(2323) [2331]		115 sherds		302 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All likely EIA and context-contemporary. Most are not significantly worn and none need be significantly residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900-600 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Mostly small and a few medium sized sherds, plus a number of bits, all body sherds and the majority plain save for 1 with a row of shallow fingertip impressions (DRAW), broken just above/below. 1 medium sized medium-walled sherd in a coarse gritted fabric which appears near-flat with a very shallow curvature and might derive from a very large diameter vessel. Also 4 sherds (same vessel?) with moderate fine to medium gritting which are thin-walled, their surfaces not particularly treated (only roughly smoothed/wiped over/finger-pressed), 1 of these from the shoulder of a vessel (possibly a bowl) perhaps around 26cm in diameter (DRAW). Many small sherds from fairly thick-walled coarsewares with heavily gritted fabrics (mostly fine to medium, with occasional coarser grits). A small number of more occasional to moderately gritted silty-looking fabrics with smoothed/soft burnished surfaces. Most pieces fairly fresh to lightly worn, a few appearing more worn.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
115	EIA	Flint tempered	?11	FF>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2325) [2324]		4 sherds		6 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Small variously worn fragments only, with their relationship to their context unclear on this evidence. Broadly MBA>EIA and initial preference is that most are more likely EIA, given site trends and the general lack of thinner walled and neatly finished finewares/sub-finewares amongst the MBA>MBA-LBA material seen so far. However, 2 pottery spreads (2326) and (2338) which overlay [2324] produced solely MBA>MBA-LBA material, as did [2342] which cuts [2324]. Perhaps these sherds could be disturbed/bioturbated intrusions from adjacent EIA pit [2331] which cuts [2324]. Alternatively, they could be (minimal) evidence for the occurrence of MBA>MBA-LBA finewares/sub-finewares in the site assemblage (possibly the sole evidence; this can be reviewed subsequently when the MBA>MBA-LBA material is looked at in detail). If intrusions from [2331] are possible however, then this cannot be considered reliable evidence of such (and the material has no form or decorative data to offer in any case).				
<i>Start date:</i>	Unclear.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Very small reduced plain body sherds. 1 split sherd with a very worn interior surface and some slightly coarser grits broadly MBA>EIA, which could but need not significantly pre-date the rest. The others are fairly thin to medium-walled sherds with moderate fine to medium gritting and smoothed surfaces, with some wear/edge rounding. They could date widely, but are more likely EIA given site trends.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
4	MBA>EIA/?EIA	Flint tempered	2/3	L>M	1550/900-600 BC
(2326) Above [2324]		18 sherds		198 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pottery spread. The record suggests this was a single large sherd.				
<i>Dating:</i>	MBA>MBA-LBA and possibly more typically the latter given the presence of some grog. Fresh.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 1550 BC and possibly after 1350 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 1150 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small thick-walled coarsely gritted plain body sherds, plus many additional small bits of, generally reduced with some pale patchy oxidisation on either surface, featuring some fairly fine grog. 2 small fragments shows some angular concave surfaces, but the location on the vessel (rim/base) is unclear.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
18	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint + grog tempered	?1	F	1550/1350-1150 BC.

(2328) [2327]		3 sherds		20 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Both likely EIA, 2 sherds from 1 vessel being more worn and residual, the other sherd from a different vessel is less worn.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC, though the relationship of the 1 fresher sherd to the context is unclear at present.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherds. 1 worn thick-walled sherd + 1 associated fragment in a heavily tempered fabric, likely EIA but residual. 1 less worn sherd in sandy fabric broken at a shoulder, neatly smoothed exterior.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
3	EIA	Flint tempered	2	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2330) [2329] Spit 1		1 sherd		1 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA and not significantly worn, but is 1 tiny fragment only.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly or need date after 600 BC, but sherd's relationship to the context is unclear.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Very small plain body sherd fragment, but fairly heavily flint tempered and thin-walled with smoothed surfaces. Could date earlier, but less likely, particularly given site trends with regards to the typical character of the material of MBA>MBA-LBA date seen so far in the site assemblage.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2338)		167 sherds		602 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Spread.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Sherds possibly from a single MBA>MBA-LBA vessel, potentially with a single row of fingertip impressions somewhere on the body, but the rim and just below the rim is plain. The opportunity for conjoins is limited and no large panels, which could be large enough to show the form, may be reconstructable. A plough-disrupted cremation urn?				
<i>Start date:</i>	After 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Before 1150 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Mostly small and some more medium sized sherds, with many fractured fragments. Mostly thick-walled plain body sherds. 2 small sized more medium-walled simple upright rim sherds (DRAW). 1 small base sherd (DRAW) and 1 likely broken fragment of another. 1 small body sherd with 2 adjacent fingertip impressions (part of a linear band of such) (DRAW).				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
167	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint tempered	1/?2	FF>L	1550-1150 BC
(2343) Top [2342]		176 sherds		604 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Primary fill of gully.				
<i>Dating:</i>	MBA>MBA-LBA, broadly 1550-1150 BC. The presence of grog is considered more common in the MBA-LBA, 1350-1150 BC, but the grog content in the fabric/s from this context is very minor.				
<i>Start date:</i>	After 1550 BC, possibly after 1350 BC				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 1150 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	<p>All thick-walled and mostly small, some very fragmentary, generally fairly fresh, some with edge-rounding or surface loss, suggesting context-contemporary and slightly residual material is present. 4 sherds from a single pinched-out base (no conjoins noted). 1 small fragment from a simple upright flat-topped rim, narrower than all of the other sherds. 1 medium sized thick-walled body sherd with possibly finger-tip impressed hollow, but this may not be intentional decoration. Rest (majority) plain body sherds. Firing colours mostly reduced grey-black, some with brown and orange oxidised exteriors.</p> <p>NB. Not all sherds show sparse grog, but given the sparse random nature of this tempering and the small size of the sherds, it cannot be said with certainty that sherds lacking the grog element are truly purely flint tempered and derive from different vessels, thus all have been grouped as a single fabric type for now. As the firing colours can vary around the circumference of these vessels, these differences between the sherds are also no reliable guide to an estimate of the numbers of vessels present.</p>				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
176	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint + sparse grog tempered	?2+	FF>M	1550/?1350-1150 BC

(2343) [2342]		1 sherd		4 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Primary fill of gully.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely MBA>MBA-LBA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 1150 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Very small plain body sherd, coarsely tempered, fractured but not obviously worn. Likely of this date given others from this context.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint tempered	1	L	1550-1150 BC
(2343 B) [2342 B]		7 sherds		44 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Primary fill of gully.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely MBA>MBA-LBA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 1150 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small thick-walled plain body sherds and fragments, 1 just possibly with a hint of a shallow fingertip impression, but unconvincing. Tempering and thickness alone suggesting a date. *These vessels could relate to others from the same context (2343) Top.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
7	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint tempered	?2*	L	1550-1150 BC
(2343C) [2342C]		14 sherds		47 g	
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	MBA>MBA-LBA. Note comments in (2343) Top re the fabric type.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 1150 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small thick-walled plain body sherds and fragments and bits. Shows some fine oxidised grog.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
14	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint + sparse grog tempered	1/2	FF>L	1550/?1350-1150 BC
(2348) Top [2347]		16 sherds		152 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	EIA, likely context-contemporary.				
<i>Start date:</i>	After 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Before 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small and medium sized sherds, all of similar medium-walled thicknesses and moderately gritted with medium and small and some finer grits, generally reduced exteriors, none significantly worn. 12 sherds, several conjoining, from the rim and upper body of a large diameter coarseware (the body possibly around 48cm wide below the wider rim), with a notable wide interior bevelled rim, smoothed/wiped surfaces and sooting on the exterior (DRAW). 1 other coarseware rim with a short interior bevel (body possibly around 40cm diameter) (DRAW). 1 small base sherd with neatly smoothed surfaces, the exterior oxidised an orange-brown (DRAW).				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
16	EIA	Flint tempered	?2	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2348) [2347]		18 sherds		86 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All likely EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small and some more medium sized sherds, including fractured fragments. 10 thick-walled plain body sherds in a very sandy fabric with orange oxidised surfaces and black core. 2 fractured sherds from the outer edge of a base (DRAW), possibly with finger forming marks to and above a slight exterior plinth (note base in (2052A)), fairly profusely tempered, with some coarse grits, with 5 other fractured small sherds likely from same vessel.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
18	EIA	Flint tempered	3	L>M	1000/900-600 BC

(2348) [2347] Spit 2		18 sherds		99 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely context-contemporary and EIA, given others from this context.				
<i>Start date:</i>	After 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Before 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Mostly small and 1 medium sized sherds, all body sherds, mostly plain and similarly medium-walled. 2 conjoining small sherds show a single (remaining) row of fingertip impressions (of neat and consistent deep reverse 'D' shape), potentially from a large diameter (perhaps around 50 cm) coarseware (DRAW). 1 very small sherd with some fairly profuse fine gritting. 1 medium sized sherd showing surface loss has dull orange oxidised surfaces and partial pale brown core, the colour, silty look and sparse gritting trend of small to medium sized grits has some similarities with material of the succeeding EMIA. This is not enough to suggest a date late in the range of the EIA for the material from this context and it is suspected that there will not be enough examples of EIA forms in the site assemblage to suggest a more specific date within the EIA range for the material as a whole, but something to be considered at a subsequent phase of final site reporting.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
18	EIA	Flint tempered	?6	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2348) Top [2347] B		9 sherds		39 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Conjoining to a single EIA sherd.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small sherds and fragments conjoining to a single largeish panel from a fairly deep everted rim (DRAW), medium to thickish walled coarseware, fairly heavy medium grade temper, sandy fabric, dull orange oxidised surfaces with some surface skin loss.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
9	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
(2348B) [2347] B Spit 1		27 sherds		129 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	EIA, with fresher and some slightly more worn material.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Mostly small sized sherds and fragments, all body sherds save for 1 very small concave neck sherd, all plain save for 1 worn thick-walled sherd which might show traces of 2 fingertip impressions. Only 1 medium sized sherd, from a thin-walled fineware with neat soft burnished exterior (perhaps around 24cm diameter). The more worn pieces are in the minority and needn't pre-date the period.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
6	EIA	Flint + sparse grog tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
	Small plain body sherds, reduced, smoothed/wiped exteriors, fine mostly oxidised grog.				
21	EIA	Flint tempered	?9	FF>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2348B) [2347 B] Spit 2		13 sherds		117 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	All likely EIA, with some fresher and other slightly residual material.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Mostly small plain body sherds, majority with worn/abraded silty-looking exteriors (1 other silty looking sherd noted in (2348) Spit 2, though most of the EIA material in the site assemblage is not particularly silty looking, as can be a feature of some EMIA sherds locally) in moderately gritted sandy fabrics. 1 medium sized + 1 conjoining fragment from a thick-walled base, fractured and with the lower face missing, but otherwise fairly sharp and fairly fresh looking (1 other small fragment likely relates; DRAW).				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
13	EIA	Flint tempered	?6	FF>M	1000/900-600 BC

(2348B) [2347B] Spit 3			1 sherd	14 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	EIA, but worn and potentially residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC, though this sherd is residual to some degree.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Medium sized medium-walled plain body sherd with worn exterior and some edge rounding, potentially from a large diameter vessel.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	M	1000/900-600 BC
[2360] SF 1			285 sherds	1125 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Cremation pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	MBA>MBA-LBA cremation urn. No large panels and no refitting has been attempted, thus the form is undetermined at present (review site photographs).				
<i>Start date:</i>	After 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Before 1150 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Around 45 small to medium sized sherds + a large number of fragments, the intact sherds very thick-walled, mostly body sherds, no obvious base sherds. 4 rim sherds (medium sized at most, with only 1 conjoining, this with a small sherd fragment), very thick-walled and flat-topped, with 2 horizontal rows (surviving, broken below, but likely no more than 2 rows) of fingertip impressions on the exterior immediately below the rim top. Rim sherds show a grey-black surface skin, some showing surface loss on the interior; vessel diameter around 30 cm. The body sherds are all plain and show an orange oxidised exterior and a brown or black core and interior surface. 1 body sherd noted having a large grog-like grain. Some sherds show surface loss, some edge-rounding, others sharper/fresher, but this is presumably a single vessel (no particular reason to be otherwise), with perhaps ?plough disturbance and soil conditions responsible for the fragmented nature and condition and the fact that this vessel is only very partially represented. (DRAW).				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
285	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint tempered	1	L>M	1550-1150 BC
[2360] SF 2			153 sherds	523 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Cremation pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	MBA>MBA-LBA cremation urn. No large panels and no refitting has been attempted, thus the form is undetermined at present (review site photographs).				
<i>Start date:</i>	After 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Before 1150 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Generally small sized and many fragmentary sherds of mostly moderate thickness presumably from a single vessel (gritting character and firing colours vary, as expected), the fabric finely sandy. 14 rim sherds, only 2 of these slightly larger than small size, featuring a simple upright rounded rim with a single horizontal row of fingertip impressions on the exterior just below; also 3 body sherds with traces of the same likely from the same part of the vessel. Diameter possibly around 20 cm, the vessel only partially represented, with no base sherds, suggesting the vessel was inverted and the base subsequently destroyed. (DRAW).				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
153	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint tempered	1	L>M	1550-1150 BC
[2360] Fragments of SFs 1 and 2			58 sherds	124 g	
<i>Context:</i>	See other entries from this context above.				
<i>Dating:</i>	See other entries from this context above.				
<i>Start date:</i>	See other entries from this context above.				
<i>End date:</i>	See other entries from this context above.				
<i>Comments:</i>					
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
58	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint tempered	-	-	1550-1150 BC

(2363) [2360] SW quarter		1 sherd		4 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	MBA>MBA-LBA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 1150 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherd, medium-walled, coarsely gritted.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint tempered	1	L	1550-1150 BC
(2363) [2360]		1 sherd		1 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely MBA>MBA-LBA, relationship to context unclear, but note 1 other sherd of the same date from the SW quarter of this context.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 1150 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small sherd fragment only, but characteristically more likely MBA>MBA-LBA.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint tempered	1	-	1550-1150 BC
(2365) [2364]		5 sherds		26 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Pit.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, given site trends. Some slightly more worn material could be residual to some degree, while others appear fresher and these larger pieces need not be significantly residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly earlier than 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherds, wiped surfaces and sandy fabrics.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
5	EIA	Flint tempered	?3/4	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2381) [2303]		1 sherd		3 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of monument ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear, as sherd is residual.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Very small worn plain body sherd, slightly sandy, not heavily tempered, probably EIA, particularly given site trends.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	H	1000/900-600 BC
(2423) [2422]		1 sherd		5 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of monument ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherd with exterior sooting.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	FF	1000/900-600 BC
(2428) B		1 sherd		10 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of monument ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, not obviously significantly residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherd, medium-walled, fairly flat, heavily tempered with fine to medium grits, chipped but edges fairly sharp.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC

(2431) [2422]		9 sherds			1 g
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of monument ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Tiny fragments, likely MBA>MBA-LBA or EIA given site trends.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Unclear; nothing certainly before 1550 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC, but the relationship of the sherds to the context is unclear.				
<i>Comments:</i>					
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
9	MBA>EIA	Flint tempered	1	-	1550-600 BC
(2446) [2444] Spit 1		2 sherds			6 g
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely MBA>MBA-LBA or EIA, with a slight preference for the EIA for 1 and the other might relate.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC and possibly after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC and the sherds, though small and fractured, are not obviously significantly residual.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherds. 1 fractured piece fairly heavily flint tempered, with a slight preference for EIA.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA>EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1550-600 BC
1	MBA>EIA/EIA	Flint tempered	1	FF	1000/900-600 BC
(2446) [2444] Spit 2 South		2 sherds			2 g
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	Potentially EIA, given site trends.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear; nothing certainly after 600 BC, but sherd could be residual. See another entry from this context above.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Fragments conjoining to 1 small plain body sherd, fairly thin walled, slight preference for EIA given site trends.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L>M	1000/900-600 BC
(2447) [2444]		1 sherd			6 g
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	Possibly MBA>MBA-LBA and perhaps MBA-LBA, given additional sparse grog temper; residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC and possibly after 1350 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear; sherd is residual.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small fractured worn plain body sherd, residual.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA>MBA-LBA	Flint + sparse grog tempered	1	M	1550/1350-1150 BC
(2457) [2422]		1 sherd			4 g
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of monument ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, given site trends, residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear, nothing certainly after 600 BC, but sherd is residual to some degree.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherd, medium-walled, smoothed surfaces, interior more worn than exterior.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	?EIA	Flint tempered	1	M	1000/900-600 BC
(2460) [2422]		1 sherd			2 g
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of monument ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely EIA, small but not particularly worn and potentially context-contemporary.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Nothing certainly after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Small plain body sherd, fairly thin-walled, fabric akin to others in EIA groups in site assemblage, chipped.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	EIA	Flint tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC

(2466) [2422]		1 sherd		1 g	
<i>Context:</i>	Fill of monument ditch.				
<i>Dating:</i>	Broadly MBA/MBA-LBA or EIA, given site trends, residual.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550/1350 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear, residual.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Very small plain body sherd fragment, medium-walled.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
1	MBA>EIA	Flint + grog tempered	1	M>H	1550/1350-600 BC
(2513) [2444]		3 sherds		3 g	
<i>Context:</i>					
<i>Dating:</i>	Likely broadly MBA>EIA, 1 possibly EIA and the other might relate. Sherds not significantly worn, but small fractured pieces only and their relationship to the context is unclear.				
<i>Start date:</i>	Nothing certainly before 1550 BC and possibly after 1000/900 BC.				
<i>End date:</i>	Unclear. Nothing certainly/need date after 600 BC.				
<i>Comments:</i>	Very small fractured plain body sherds. 1 mixed temper fabric with slight preference for the EIA, given presence of some fine tempering, which can occur earlier but as yet has not been noted as typical of the MBA>MBA-LBA material (largely/?completely coarsewares) on this site.				
<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Ware</i>	<i>Vessels</i>	<i>Wear</i>	<i>Date preference</i>
2	MBA>EIA	Flint tempered	1	L>M	1550-600 BC
1	MBA>EIA/?EIA	Flint + sparse grog tempered	1	L	1000/900-600 BC
Totals			1798 sherds		7209 g

Appendix C – KCC HER Form

Site Name: Briary Close	
Site Address: Briary Close, Westbrook, Margate, Kent	
<p>Summary: The excavation at Briary Close, Westbrook, Margate, Kent started in October 2021 due to a new residential development. Following an archaeological evaluation, which found a number of Prehistoric finds and features comprising pit, post-holes, causewayed and curvilinear ditches, enclosures, semi-enclosures and cremation burial. A full strip, map and sample was started across the circa 3966m2 area and archaeological watching brief was carried out across the area comprising 1122m2. The excavation has revealed a dense number of finds and features from Neolithic Period to Early Iron Age.</p>	
District/Unitary: Thanet District Council	Parish: Westgate
Period(s): Neolithic, Middle Bronze Age, Late Bronze Age and Early Iron Age	
<p>NGR (centre of site : 8 figures): 632930 169777</p> <p>(NB if large or linear site give multiple NGRs)</p>	
<p>Type of archaeological work (delete)</p> <p>Evaluation: Watching Brief Field Walking</p> <p>Documentary study Building recording Earthwork survey</p> <p>Excavation Geophysical Survey Field Survey</p> <p>Geoarchaeological investigation</p>	
Date of Recording: October 2020 – February 2021	
Unit undertaking recording: SWAT Archaeology	
Geology: Chalk capped by superficial deposits	
Title and author of accompanying report: P Cichy, 2021 Briary Close, An Interim report	
Swale and Thames Survey Company was commissioned by Future Homes Limited to	

undertake an archaeological Watching Brief and subsequent sample excavation at Briary Close, Westbrook, Margate, Kent. Excavation started in October 2021 due to a new residential development. Following an archaeological evaluation, which found a number of Prehistoric finds and features a full strip, map and sample investigation was requested by Senior Archaeological Officer from Kent County Council across the area comprising circa 3966m² and archaeological watching brief across the area comprising 1122m². The excavation has revealed a dense number of finds and features from Neolithic Period to Early Iron Age comprising pits, post-holes, causewayed and curvilinear ditches, semi-enclosures and standalone cremation burial.

Location of archive/finds: SWAT Archaeology

Contact at Unit: Dr Paul Wilkinson

Date: 14th May 2021

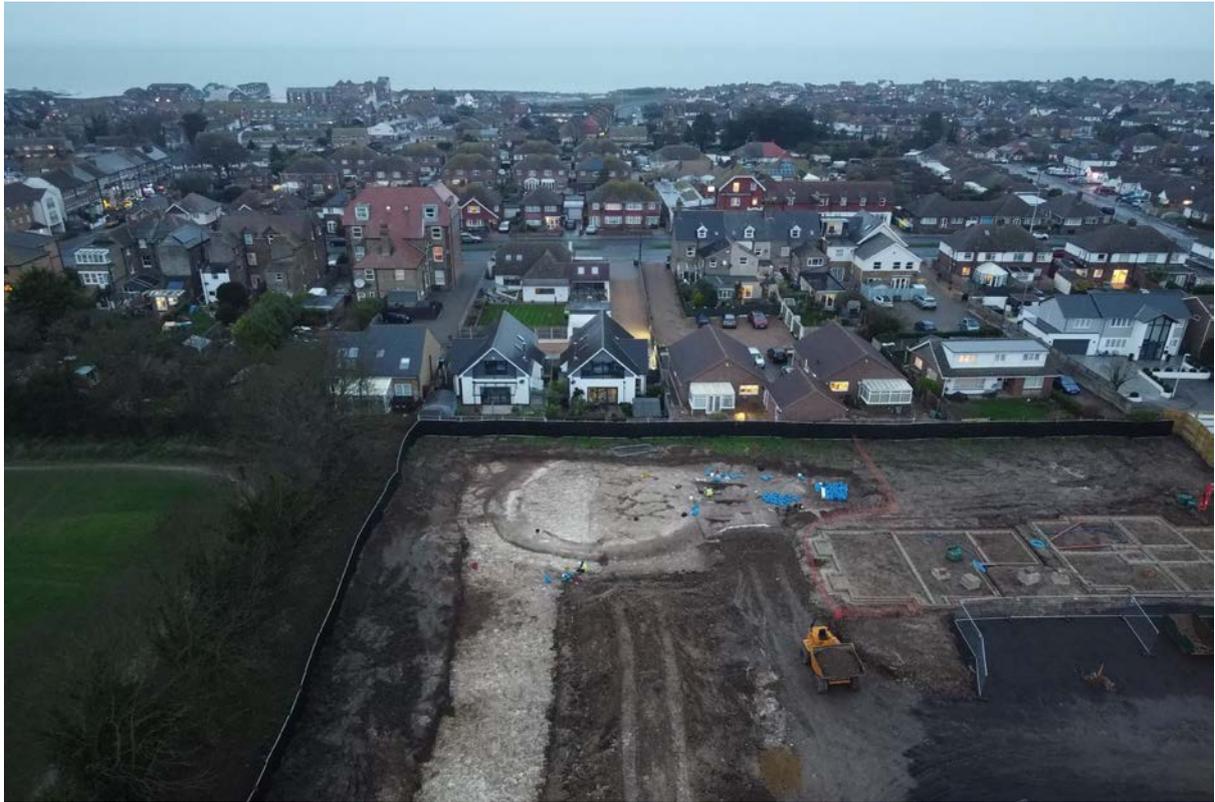


Plate 1: Showing northern part of the site. Looking north.



Plate 2: Showing excavations within Neolithic enclosure in southern extent of the site. Looking south-west.



Plate 3: Showing exploratory slot 2087 throughout Neolithic rectilinear enclosure. Looking east with two-metre scales.



Plate 4: Showing intervention 2285 through a prehistoric gully. Looking south-east with half-metre scale.