BEDFORDSHIRE

Bedford

2/122 (C.09.O007) TL 04654910 MK41 0QY

BRITANNIA IRON WORKS

Archaeological Evaluation on the Site of the Britannia Iron Works, Bedford

Wilson, N Milton Keynes: Archaeological Services & Consultancy Ltd., 2003, 25pp, colour pls, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: Archaeological Services & Consultancy Ltd

Trial trenches were excavated on the proposed development site. The foundry on the site had truncated much of the site. A single ditch, containing 13th/14th century pottery, was identified. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MD

2/123 (C.09.O002) SP 98506160 MK44 1EX

CHURCH FARM, SOULDROP

Church Farm, Souldrop, Bedfordshire

Dawson, M & Chapman, A London: CgMs, 2003, 16pp, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: CgMs, Northamptonshire Archaeology

A test pit survey was carried out on the site. A farm track of 18th/19th century date was identified. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: PM

2/124 (C.09.O006) TL 02254975 MK40 4BG

LAND ADJACENT TO 16 VICARS CLOSE

Land Adjacent to 16 Vicars Close, Biddenham, Bedfordshire

Crank, N & Grant, J Hertford: Archaeological Solutions, 2003, 8pp, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: Archaeological Solutions

An archaeological evaluation was carried out on the site. No archaeology was identified. [Au(abr)]

2/125 (C.09.M009) TL 02104720 MK42 7DA

LAND ADJACENT TO 68 HIGH STREET

Land Adjacent to 68 High Street, Harrold, Bedfordshire. Archaeological Field Evaluation

Thorpe, R & Wells, J Bedford : Albion Archaeology, 2003, 23pp, figs, tabs

Work undertaken by: Albion Archaeology

No archaeological evidence of human occupation, preceeding the 11th century AD, was encountered during the evaluation, other than residual sherds of Roman and Iron Age pottery. Medieval evidence concentrated in the south of the study area, in the form of an infilled ditch cutting a buried cultivation soil which had infilled a relict stream channel. The infilling and disuse of the ditch dated to between the 11th century and the early 13th century AD, while the buried cultivation soils can be viewed as being somewhat earlier in date. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: EM, IA, MD, RO

2/126 (C.09.O004) SP 98805920 MK44 1JR

LAND ADJACENT TO SHARNBROOK UPPER SCHOOL

Land Adjacent to Sharn brook Upper School, Odell Road, Sharnbrook, Beds

Lightfoot, M Milton Keynes: Archaeological Services & Consultancy Ltd., 2003, 27pp, colour pls, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: Archaeological Services & Consultancy Ltd

Trial trenches were excavated on the proposed development site. Three possible modern ditches were identified and a burnt patch possibly a hearth, of unknown date. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MO, UD

2/127 (C.09.M008) TL 06504990 MK41 9PT

LAND AT ASPECTS LEISURE PARK, NEWNHAM AVENUE, BEDFORD

Land at Aspects Leisure Park, Newnham Avenue, Bedford

Thorpe, R & Ingham, D Bedford : Albion Archaeology, 2003, 22pp, colour pls, figs, tabs *Work undertaken by:* Albion Archaeology

Deposits of possible archaeological potential were encountered in two trenches. No archaeological deposits or structures predating the post-medieval period were uncovered during the evaluation though the evaluation does demonstrate the potential for buried archaeological remains. [Au(abr)]

2/128 (C.09.M007) TL 05265348 MK41 7XH

LAND AT NORTH BRICKHILL, BEDFORD

Land at North Brickhill, Bedford, Bedfordshire. Jackmans Farm: Access Route, Archaeological Field Evaluation

Edmonson, G & Watters, JBedford: Albion Archaeology, 2003, 30pp, colour pls, figs, tabs, refs *Work undertaken by:* Albion Archaeology

The trial excavation found the surviving feature have been severely truncated, probably by recent agricultural activity. The absence of any artefacts from the ploughsoil in particular would suggest that the area was away from the foci of human activity. The poorly preserved features comprising a modern boundary ditch, a probable medieval furrow and two undated features were at most local significance. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MD, MO

2/129 (C.09.M010) TL 08705150 MK41 0NG

LAND NORTH OF NORSE ROAD, BEDFORD

Land at North Norse Road, Bedford. Archaeological Evaluation

Mallows, C Bedford: Albion Archaeology, 2003, 66pp, figs

Work undertaken by: Albion Archaeology

Out of thirty-three archaeological trenches investigated, only a single, isolated archaeological feature was noted. This was a pit probably dating from the Iron Age. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: IA, PM

2/130 (C.09.O005) SP 95476442 NN10 9LN

ST. LAWRENCE SCHOOL

St. Lawrence School, Wymington, Beds

Firth, H Baldock: Heritage Network, 2003, 8pp, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: Heritage Network

Trial trenches were excavated on the site. Two linear features and a pit were identified. One of the linear features contained pottery of Saxo-Norman date. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: EM, UD

Mid Bedfordshire

2/131 (C.09.M002) TL 05803570 MK45 5DU

CHURCH FARM, FLITTON

Archaeological Test Pits at Church Farm, Flitton, Bedfordshire

Albion Archaeology Bedford : Albion Archaeology, 2003, 4pp, figs

Work undertaken by: Albion Archaeology

No archaeological evidence was found from anywhere in the sequence of deposits. [Au(abr)]

2/132 (C.09.O008) TL 13603894 SG17 5DF

LAND AT 72-88 AMPTHILL CLOSE

Land at 72-88 Ampthill, Shefford, Bedfordshire

Roberts, B & Kier, W Hertford: Archaeological Solutions, 2003, 14pp, figs, tabs, refs *Work undertaken by:* Archaeological Solutions

Trial trenches were excavated on the site. No archaeology was identified. [Au(abr)]

work undertaken by. Archaeological Solutions

TL 22003640 SG7 5LF

LAND AT QUEEN STREET, STOTFOLD

Land at Queen Street, Stotfold, Bedfordshire. Archaeological Field Evaluation

Albion Archaeology Bedford : Albion Archaeology, 2003, 68pp, colour pls, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: Albion Archaeology

2/133 (C.09.M003)

The evaluation identified a multi-period site of regional significance, which provided evidence of the shifting focus of settlement over time. The most extensive remains would appear to be elements of early medieval settlement, with activity subsequently moving beyond the site, being focused on the church and converging routeways to the north and west. The earliest part of the standing structure of the church of St. Mary the Virgin dated to the 12th century, which is later than the early enclosures. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: EM, MD, RO

2/134 (C.09.M005) TL 00074171 MK43 0LH

LAND EAST OF BEDFORD ROAD, MARSTON MORETAINE

Land East of Bedford Road, Marston Moretaine, Bedfordshire. Archaeological Field Evaluation
Albion Archaeology Bedford: Albion Archaeology, 2003, 107pp, figs, tabs, refs
Work undertaken by: Albion Archaeology

The 2003 evaluation revealed that the main phases of use and occupation on this site were the later Iron Age and Romano-British periods. The occupation was characterised by a series of ditched enclosures, with domestic habitations evidenced by the very well preserved remains of a roundhouse with a central hearth. However, the combined results of the earlier non-intrusive work, the recent geophysical survey, and trial excavation cast doubt on the identification of the crop marks as a 'banjo' enclosure. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: IA

2/135 (C.09.M011) TL 20504410 SG18 8OS

LAND EAST OF SAXON DRIVE

Land East of Saxon Drive, Biggleswade, Bedfordshire. Archaeological Field Evaluation Edmondson, G & Wells, J Bedford: Albion Archaeology, 2003, 46pp, colour pls, figs Work undertaken by: Albion Archaeology

The evaluation revealed a continuation of the archaeological features of the medieval settlement in the area to the west. This includes the eastern half of a moat and a series of ditches which appeared to define elements of enclosure systems. Associated activity included cobbled surfaces and substantial pits which contained a variety of artefacts mostly dating to the 12th-15th centuries. In contrast, the northern half of the site contained a small quantity of Iron Age artefacts as well as extensive Roman activity including its ditches and a variety of surfaces including both cobbling and fine metalling. An extensive assemblage of Roman artefacts was recovered from these deposits. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MD, RO

2/136 (C.09.O010) TL 18094360 SG18 8HH

LAND NORTH OF BROOM GRANGE, NEAR BIGGLESWADE

Land North of Broom Grange, Near Biggleswade, Bedfordshire

Knight, M & Cooper, A Cambridge: Cambridge Archaeological Unit, 2004, 83pp, figs, tabs, refs *Work undertaken by:* Cambridge Archaeological Unit

Trial trenches was excavated as part of a program of archaeological evaluations. The earliest deposits identified were two deposits of Neolithic date. A Bronze Age barrow, two burnt mounds and as group of cremations were identified. A group of Early Iron Age post holes and pits were identified along with a Mid Iron Age D-shaped enclosure and circular enclosures and a series of pit features. Two Romano-British paddock/enclosure/drove way complexes were identified. A Saxon Grubenhaus was also encountered, part of a settlement identified by an earlier investigation. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: BA, EIA, EM, MIA, NE, RO

2/137 (C.09.O003) SP 99554108 MK43 0PD

LAND SOUTH & EAST OF MANOR ROAD, MARSTON MORETAINE

Land South & East of Manor Road, Marston Moretaine, Bedfordshire

Rowlandson, I & Sutherland, M Hertford: Archaeological Solutions, 2003, 20pp, figs, tabs, refs *Work undertaken by:* Archaeological Solutions

Evaluation trenches were excavated on the proposed development site. Linear features and an arm of a medieval moat were identified. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MD, UD

2/138 (C.09.M004) TL 21104285 SG18 9SX

LAND WEST OF STRATTON FARM

Land to the West of Stratton Farm, Biggleswade, Bedfordshire. Trial Excavation

Albion Archaeology Bedford: Albion Archaeology, 2003, 40pp, colour pls, figs, refs

Work undertaken by: Albion Archaeology

The trial excavation stage of the evaluation identified a sequence of ditches and trackway associated with Iron Age pottery. The relatively small artefact assemblage would suggest that this area was situated away from the focus of settlement. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: IA

2/139 (C.09.M006) TL 13503870 SG17 5XA

SHEFFORD LOWER SCHOOL, SHEFFORD

Shefford Lower School, Shefford, Bedfordshire. Archaeological Field Evaluation
Albion Archaeology Bedford: Albion Archaeology, 20pp, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: Albion Archaeology

Archaeological remains were located in five of the trenches. The earliest artefacts consisted of pottery dated to the Late Iron Age. The majority of dateable artefacts belonged to the Roman period and dated from the 1st to the 4th century AD. Two ditches dated to the Roman period were located in the western part of the study area. A further two undated features were also discovered, consisting of a small pit in the western part of the study area and a ditch in the eastern part of the study area. The larger of the two Roman ditches was interpreted as a continuation of a substantial boundary ditch found during the previous excavations. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MD, PM, RO

South Bedfordshire

2/140 (C.09.O001) TL 01852246 LU5 4JD

NEW VENUE, DUNSTABLE

New Venue, Dunstable, Bedfordshire

Alexander, M Twickenham: AOC Archaeology Group, 2003, 18pp, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: AOC Archaeology Group

Five evaluation trenches were excavated on the site. A few undated pits and linear features were identified. The remains of a W.W.II air raid shelter were also encountered. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MO, UD

2/141 (C.09.M001) TL 01852246 LU5 4JD

NEW VENUE, DUNSTABLE

Report on an Archaeological Evaluation at New Venue, Dunstable, Bedfordshire

Alexander, M Twickenham: AOC Archaeology Group, 2003, 18pp, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: AOC Archaeology Group

Five trenches were opened across the site, one in two parts to avoid services. In general few archaeological features were exposed and those that were, were undated. The sparse archaeological features were concentrated in the south-eastern part of the site but due to a lack of dating evidence the activity that these represent could be determined. A 'lost WWII air raid shelter was located. [Au]

Archaeological periods represented: MO, UD