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LEICESTER**Leicester**

2/16 (C.62.Q001)

SK 58220502
LE1 4DU**81-95 SANVEY GATE, ABBEY***Archaeological Evaluation: 81-95 Sanvey Gate, Abbey, Leicester*

Abrams, J Milton Keynes : Archaeological Services & Consultancy Ltd., 2003, 56pp, colour pls, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: Archaeological Services & Consultancy Ltd

This evaluation identified two Roman parallel ditches, two pits of probable early medieval in date, one pit containing a leather shoe and a post-medieval well. Environmental samples were taken from a probable early medieval cess pit and revealed numerous fruit seeds, nut shells, cereal crops, small mammal bones, fish bones and fly puparia. [Au(adp)]

Archaeological periods represented: EM, PM, RO, UD

2/17 (C.62.L005)

SK 58600380
LE1 5WR**85-89 OXFORD STREET, CASTLE WARD***An Archaeological Evaluation of Land at 85-89 Oxford Street, Castle Ward, Leicester*

Clarke, S Leicester : University of Leicester Archaeological Services, 2003, 15pp, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: University of Leicester Archaeological Services

Two trenches were opened during the evaluation, which revealed evidence of Roman and medieval activity, in addition to a ditch which contained pottery attributable to either the Iron Age or middle Saxon period. The Roman deposits located include a compact pebble surface, overlying a possible linear ditch type feature, towards the Oxford Street frontage. Further to the west, towards the Grange Lane frontage, was possibly part of a circular ditch, dating to the medieval period. Along side the inner edge of the ditch was a narrow gully, which appeared to respect the curve. [Au(adp)]

Archaeological periods represented: MD, RO

2/18 (C.62.L001)

SK 55400410
LE3 1HR**BRAUNSTONE LEISURE CENTRE***Archaeological Evaluation for Braunstone Leisure Centre on Land Off Hinckley Road, North Braunstone Ward, Leicester*

Jones, S & Tate, J Leicester : University of Leicester Archaeological Services, 2003, 28pp, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: University of Leicester Archaeological Services

The trial trench evaluation consisted of ten 30m trenches placed around the development area to determine the potential survival of any archaeological deposits. No significant archaeological remains were revealed. [Au(abr)]

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SK 58500380

LE2 7EN

DEACON STREET/GRANGE LANE***An Archaeological Evaluation of Land off Deacon Street/Grange Lane, Leicester***

Clarke, S Leicester : University of Leicester Archaeological Services, 2003, 13pp, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: University of Leicester Archaeological Services

Three trenches were opened during the evaluation, which indicated that much of the area may have been subject to extensive sand and gravel quarrying during the post-medieval period. There was an apparent absence of quarrying towards the Grange Lane street frontage, coinciding with a change in the natural substrata from sands and gravels to mudstone. Better preservation of archaeological deposits towards the street frontage may be indicated by the absence of quarrying, although trench 3 revealed a large modern disturbance, the extent of which was not ascertained. [Au(adp)]

2/20 (C.62.L009)

SK 58400500

LE1 4BP

FORMER CORELLA WORKS***An Archaeological Evaluation at Sanvey Gate Phase 1, Residential Redevelopment, Former Corella Works***

Jarvis, W Leicester : University of Leicester Archaeological Services, 2004, 40pp, pls, figs, refs

Work undertaken by: University of Leicester Archaeological Services

Evidence for the former town defences was found including a substantial feature, presumably the robber trench along the line of the town wall, and a series of intercutting ditches representing the external defences associated with the wall. A stone setting was associated with these ditches. The features were sealed by a garden soil of late/post medieval date. Later features, including a gully and a stone wall, cut this deposit. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MD

2/21 (C.62.L010)

SK 58380588

LE4 0BT

LEICESTER ABBEY***An Archaeological Evaluation at Leicester Abbey: Fourth Season, Summer 2003***

Jones, S & Buckley, R Leicester : University of Leicester Archaeological Services, 2004, 41pp, pls, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: University of Leicester Archaeological Services

The excavations revealed two substantial walls forming part of the kitchen block and an associated brick lined oven. The target trench over a complex of drains proved inconclusive. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MD, PM

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2/22 (C.62.L006)

SK 58000450
LE3 5LU**MERLIN WORKS, BATH LANE***An Archaeological Evaluation the site of the Merlin Works, Bath Lane, Leicester*

Gnanaratnam, A Leicester : University of Leicester Archaeological Services, 2003, 47pp, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: University of Leicester Archaeological Services

A large fragment of a probably Late Iron Age coin mould was recovered. The Roman occupation evidence consisted of levelling and terracing, a stone-built Roman building, with walls wide enough to probably support a second storey. This also had evidence of a tessellated floor, probably a plain grey or red pavement. In the middle of the site, adjacent to the location of the tessellated floor, part of the possible medieval river channel was revealed. Evidence was revealed for a stone and gravel surface running up to and partly eroded by the river channel. A linear wattle work structure was revealed within the river silts. [Au(adp)]

2/23 (C.62.L008)

SK 59130455
LE1 1TQ**RUTLAND STREET, VESTRY STREET, HALFORD STREET***An Archaeological Evaluation at Rutland Street, Vestry Street and Halford Street, Leicester*

Meek, J Leicester : University of Leicester Archaeological Services, 2004, 9pp, figs, refs

Work undertaken by: University of Leicester Archaeological Services

No archaeological features or finds pre-dating the 19th century were recovered from the site, except for a single sherd of post-medieval pottery. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: PM

2/24 (C.62.L002)

SK 58400475
LE1 4SL**ST. MARGARETS BATHS, VAUGHAN WAY***An Archaeological Evaluation on the Site of the Former St. Margaret's Baths, Leicester*

Gnanaratnam, A Leicester : University of Leicester Archaeological Services, 2003, 64pp, pls, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: University of Leicester Archaeological Services

Part of the cemetery almost certainly related to the medieval Church of St. Peter was found in the southern part of the site. Medieval backyard activity in the form of pits and a possible oven or malting oven was found, together with remnants of two stone founded buildings that were probably of medieval date. The building in Trench 7 appeared to be medieval and was located well back from either the St. John's or St. Peter's Lane frontages. The building remains in Trench 5 were located within the cemetery and may have been associated with the Church. The remains of a post-medieval structure were seen in the north of the site, associated with the Causeway Lane frontage. This may have been the isolated structure shown on the 18th century maps of the area. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MD, PM

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2/25 (C.62.L003)

SK 61720590
LE5 0AG**TOWERS HOSPITAL*****An Archaeological Evaluation of Land south of the Towers Hospital, Gipsy Lane, West Humberstone, Leicester***

Thomas, J Leicester : University of Leicester Archaeological Services, 2003, 9pp, figs, refs
Work undertaken by: University of Leicester Archaeological Services

The evaluation provided evidence of a restricted area of relatively dense archaeological remains which dated to the 12th or 13th centuries. The features, mostly pits and gullies, were badly truncated and lay beneath ridge and furrow remains. It is likely the features related to small-scale settlement, perhaps an isolated farmstead, in the vicinity of the medieval village of Humberstone. Despite their truncation the majority of the features produced datable evidence suggesting they related to domestic activities. In other areas of the site evidence of recent landscaping was recorded and many of the geophysical anomalies related to land drains. [Au(abr)]