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Rugby

2/1028 (C.44.G003)

COOMBE ABBEY

Geophysical Survey, Trial Trenching and Desk-Based Assessment at Coombe Abbey, Warwickshire Thorne, A & Fisher, I Northampton : Northamptonshire Archaeology, 2002, 39pp, figs, tabs, refs *Work undertaken by:* Northamptonshire Archaeology

An archaeological evaluation was undertaken in connection with a planning application for a proposed new extension to the hotel. Initially, geophysical surveys were carried out but proved unsuccessful, although a single linear anomaly was detected which may have been a ditch. Three trial trenches revealed a 19th century kitchen block, the remains of an icehouse, two brick culverts, and a ditch or gully that contained pottery dating to the 14th century. A subsequent desk-based assessment suggested that the levelling up associated with the culverts and the monastic channel infilling may have occurred in the period between 1690 and 1778. An earthen bank around the present car park probably dated to between 1849 and 1886 and the demolition of the culverts and icehouse was likely also to have dated from this period.[Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MD, PM, UD

2/1029 (C.44.F001)

NEW RUGBY CEMENT WORKS

New Rugby Cement Works. Archaeological Evaluation Hart, J Cirencester : Cotswold Archaeological Trust, 2002, 15pp, figs, tabs, refs *Work undertaken by:* Cotswold Archaeological Trust

The bulk of the site was stripped in the 1990s, related to the cement works, and as a result was found to be archaeologically sterile. However, in the western part of the site, in situ topsoil was believed to survive, sealing possible late prehistoric or Roman enclosures, previously identified on aerial photographs. It was believed that crop mark enclosures were extant beyond the limit of the evaluation trenches as well. [Au(adp)]

Archaeological periods represented: LPR, RO

2/1030 (C.44.G010)

SP 40107450

SP 43857570

RYTON ORGANIC GARDENS, RYTON-ON-DUNSMORE, RUGBY

Ryton Organic Gardens, Ryton-on-Dunsmore, Rugby, Warwickshire. Archaeological Evaluation Stafford, L Oxford : Oxford Archaeology, 2002, 15pp, figs, tabs, refs *Work undertaken by:* Oxford Archaeology

A field evaluation was undertaken in mitigation of a condition attached to two separate planning permissions. The proposed development included a Centre for Organic Horticulture in the northern part of the site, consisting of a single storey administration and research centre and new glass house. To the south west, a complex of buildings constituting the 'Vegetable Kingdom' was planned, consisting of a reception and exhibition building with a new shop facade and car park. The evaluation, consisting of three trenches, revealed modern topsoil overlying the remnants of a probable former ploughsoil and river terrace glacial deposits. No features of archaeological significance were encountered. [Au(adp)]

Archaeological periods represented: MO

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2/1031 (C.44.G004)

SP 53477938

SITE OF TRIPONTIUM ROMAN STATION (SAM 097), CHURCHOVER, RUGBY

Evaluation at the Site of *Tripontium Roman Station (SAM 097), Churchover, Rugby, Warwickshire* Morris, S Northampton : Northamptonshire Archaeology, 2002, 16pp, figs, tabs, refs *Work undertaken by:* Northamptonshire Archaeology

An archaeological evaluation was undertaken on land adjacent to and within the SAM Tripontium Roman Station (Warwickshire County Monument No. 097). The results demonstrated that post-medieval quarrying of gravel was extensive across the whole area of the evaluation. The quarrying consisted of a series of 19th century or later gravel pits, with small areas of natural sand and gravel surviving. No earlier archaeological remains were present. Amongst the post-medieval material recovered (brick, tile, concrete, china, glass and clay-pipe), a quantity of redeposited Roman finds, including pottery, tile and a fragment of quern stone, were retrieved, perhaps derived from Roman deposits that had been destroyed by the quarrying. [Au]

Archaeological periods represented: MO, PM, RO

2/1032 (C.44.G006)

SP 50307750

SP 08835712

ZONE A, VALLEY PARK, RUGBY

An Archaeological Evaluation at Zone A, Valley Park, Rugby, Warwickshire Bradley, T Lincoln : Pre-Construct Archaeology, 2002, 19pp, figs, tabs, refs *Work undertaken by:* Pre-Construct Archaeology

An archaeological evaluation was undertaken prior to the proposed redevelopment of the site. The SMR revealed that five Roman coins and a medieval coin and ampulla had been recorded in the north west corner of the site. Ridge and furrow earthworks were also recorded in the eastern half of the site. Natural alluvium was identified within the base of the trenches at heights of between 85.19m OD and 86.92m OD. No archaeological remains were identified cut into this alluvium in any of the trenches, with the only features recorded being a small probable natural channel within the base of Trench 4. The alluvium appeared to have been disturbed and truncated in the majority of the trenches, and only the western side of Trench 4, and Trenches 7 and 8 revealed entirely undisturbed natural strata. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: UD

Stratford-on-Avon

2/1033 (C.44.G005)

ABBEY WORKS, BLEACHFIELD STREET, ALCESTER

Archaeological Evaluation at Abbey Works, Bleachfield Street, Alcester, Warwickshire Thompson, P Warwick : Warwickshire Museum Field Services, 2003, 38pp, colour pls, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: Warwickshire Museum Field Services

An archaeological evaluation involving eight trial trenches was undertaken. Evidence of extensive Roman activity from the 1st to 4th century was recorded across the site. The archaeological remains included evidence of a north-south road, associated ditches and possible roadside structures. One additional possible beam slot was revealed. A series of rubbish pits and a possible quarry pit were revealed at the southern and western parts of the site. The evaluation also revealed an almost intact large amphora set into a pit and covered by a second storage jar or amphora. A large quantity of egg

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shell and chicken bone was recovered from the amphora. Metalled surfaces and gullies were recorded close to the amphora. A single hearth with metalworking slag was also uncovered. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MO, PM, RO, UD

2/1034 (C.44.G002)

ALVESTON MANOR HOTEL, STRATFORD-UPON-AVON

Archaeological Evaluation at Alveston Manor Hotel, Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire Jones, C Warwick : Warwickshire Museum Field Services, 2002, 12pp, colour pls, figs, tabs, refs Work undertaken by: Warwickshire Museum Field Services

An archaeological evaluation adjacent to the Anglo-Saxon cemetery excavated in the 1930s and 1970s recorded the remains of early Anglo-Saxon features including post holes, pits, gullies and a boundary ditch. Finds included early Anglo-Saxon pottery and an iron arrowhead. No graves were found but a possible disturbed cremation urn and the presence of human bone in a gully and other features suggested that the cemetery may have extended into this area. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: EM, MD, MO, RO, UD

2/1035 (C.44.G012)

ETTINGTON MANOR, ROGERS LANE, ETTINGTON

Archaeological Evaluation at Ettington Manor, Rogers Lane, Ettington, Warwickshire Thompson, P Warwick : Warwickshire Museum Field Services, 2002, 12pp, figs, tabs, refs Work undertaken by: Warwickshire Museum Field Services

Archaeological evaluation at Ettington Manor recorded some limited evidence of medieval activity confirming the site was situated within the limits of the medieval village. A post hole containing 12th/13th century pottery and a possible medieval ditch were recorded suggesting a low level of activity some distance from houses on the street frontage. Post-medieval activity around Ettington Manor included a foundation for a possible outhouse or greenhouse, a pit and post hole. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MD, PM, UD

2/1036 (C.44.G007)

LAND ADJACENT TO ST PETER'S CHURCH, WOOTEN WAWEN

Archaeological Assessment and Survey of Land Adjacent to St Peter's Church, Wooton Wawen, Warwickshire

Coutts, C, Newman, R & Gethin, B Warwick : Warwickshire Museum Field Services, 2002, 21pp, pls, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: Warwickshire Museum Field Services

An archaeological assessment was conducted for the site of Wootton Wawen Priory, which lay to the west of St. Peter's Church, detailing previous archaeological works and finds in the immediate vicinity. This was accompanied by an earthwork survey of Church Field, a SAM site containing part of the remains of the medieval priory. The archaeological works were to form part of a feasibility study for the development of Church Field. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MD, RO, UD

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Field Evaluations

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2/1037 (C.44.G008)

ROGERS LANE, ETTINGTON

Archaeological Evaluation at the Recreation Ground, Rogers Lane, Ettington, Warwickshire Jones, C Warwick : Warwickshire Museum Field Services, 2002, 10pp, figs, refs Work undertaken by: Warwickshire Museum Field Services

Archaeological evaluation of the Recreation Ground recorded no evidence of the medieval settlement of Ettington or any associated activity, although the site was within the previously predicted area of settlement. The evaluation also found no ridge and furrow evidence, which had been recorded as far as the southern boundary of the site. It was possible that the site may have been located at the rear of medieval plots extending back from Banbury Road, however, no finds of earlier than 18th century date were recovered. Plough scars cutting the geological natural were most likely to have been of postmedieval origin. [Au(abr)]

2/1038 (C.44.G011)

SPRINGFIELD HOUSE, OLD ROAD, SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR

Springfield House, Old Road, Shipston-on-Stour, Warwickshire. Archaeological Evaluation Dodds, D Oxford : Oxford Archaeology, 2002, 10pp, figs, tabs, refs Work undertaken by: Oxford Archaeology

A field evaluation was undertaken in response to a planing application for the construction of two detached houses and five mews style dwellings, with associated garaging and landscaping. The evaluation results suggested that the medieval town did not extend as far south as this proposed development area. A boundary ditch depicted on the 2nd edition OS map was located and dating evidence recovered suggested that it was open in the 18th/19th century. The ditch cut a ploughsoil of possible medieval date, associated with extant ridge and furrow in the grounds of the house. No further archaeological features were observed on the site. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MO, PM

2/1039 (C.44.F002)

SPRINGFIELD HOUSE, SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR

Springfield House, Old Road, Shipston-on-Stour, Warwickshire. Archaeological Evaluation Dodds, D Oxford : Oxford Archaeology, 2002, 8pp, figs, tabs, refs *Work undertaken by:* Oxford Archaeology

The evaluation was carried out in advance of the construction of seven houses and associated garaging and landscaping. A 19th century ditch was located, cutting a possible medieval ploughsoil that was associated with nearby ridge and furrow. No other archaeological remains were found. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MD, PM

2/1040 (C.44.G009)

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THE ALLOTMENT SITE, POPLAR ROAD, NAPTON-ON-THE-HILL

An Archaeological Evaluation at the Allotment Site, Poplar Road, Napton-on-the-Hill, Warwickshire

Jones, A G Oxford : John Moore Heritage Services, 2002, 11pp, figs, tabs, refs *Work undertaken by:* John Moore Heritage Services

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The evaluation of the proposed development area failed to find any significant archaeological features. The only features found were modern and dated to the period during which the land was in use as allotments. No evidence was found to indicate that there was any activity on the site associated with the medieval village of Napton. A single sherd of Roman pottery recovered from the colluvial deposit may have indicated some activity of this period somewhere to the north of the site. [Au(abr)]

Archaeological periods represented: MO, PM, RO

Warwick and Leamington

2/1041 (C.44.G001)

LAND ADJACENT TO LONGBRIDGE ISLAND, WARWICK

Archaeological Evaluation of Land Adjacent to Longbridge Island, Warwick Warwickshire Museum Field Services Warwick : Warwickshire Museum Field Services, 2002, 10pp, figs, tabs, refs

Work undertaken by: Warwickshire Museum Field Services

An archaeological field evaluation involving fieldwalking and trial trenching on land adjacent to Longbridge Island near to the Longbridge cursus revealed no significant archaeological finds or deposits beyond a thin scatter of worked flints. [Au]

Archaeological periods represented: MD, MO, PM, PR, RO