

Plate 1: View northwest of Site 54 in use as Golf Course drainage ditch



Plate 2: View northeast of Golf Course from near western boundary



Plate 3: View southeast of Golf Club House and Hotel



Plate 4: View southeast of mature trees on banks separating golf fairways



Plate 5: View southeast from northwest corner of Site of water feature



Plate 6: View northeast of water feature near M40 boundary



Plate 7: View northwest of bunker near Bicester Golf Club House and Hotel



Plate 8: View northwest of M40 bank



Plate 9: View west from Site of M40



Plate 10: View southeast along A4095 boundary



Plate 11: View southwest along Site's southeastern boundary



Plate 12: View south of field drains (Site 55)

Great Wolf Development, Land Adjoining Bicester Hotel & Golf Club Historic Environment Desk Based Assessment

Appendix 1: Site Gazetteer



Site Number 1

Site Name Anglo Saxon Barrow 40m SE of Oxford Lodge

Type of Site BARROW

NMRS Number

HER Number 5125

Status Non designated

Easting 453360

Northing 222140

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Includes an AS hlaew situated SE of Oxford Lodge. Survives as earthwork measuring up to 20m

in diam, and standing up to 2m high.

(1) Despite the W quadrant of the barrow having been removed to bedrock by excavation prior to road widening in 1974, the barrow mound survives as a clearly visible earthwork measuring up to 20m in diameter (N to S) and standing up to c.2m high. The barrow mound originally stood c.2.5m high but has been partly landscaped on the W side to improve road visibility. There was no indication that it ever had a quarry ditch. Excluded from the scheduled area is the boundary fence between the road carriageway and the field in which the barrow lies, although the ground beneath is included

(2) Large mound at junction of A43 and A4095 over 2m high by 20m across. Covered by trees. Unusually large for a Bronze Age barrow - perhaps Roman or Saxon?

(4) Excavation carried out in advance of damge by road widening in 1974. Quadrant of mound excavated to bedrock. No inhumations or other structures recorded. Mound contained a number of abraded RB sherds but no other dating evidence - probably quite recent?

(5) Classified as Saxon hlaew for MPP

<1> English Heritage, Scheduled Ancient Monuments Record, SM 28165 (Scheduling record). SOX283.

<2> General reference, Wharton: History of Kiddington, 3rd edition, p.18 (Bibliographic reference). SOX373.

<3> Victoria County History of Oxford, Vol I (1939) p.263 (Serial). SOX252.

<4> CBA South Midlands Group, South Midlands Archaeology, CBA9 NL 4 (1974) p.12 (Serial). SOX5.

<5> MPP Documents for Oxfordshire, S Lisk, 22.1.93 (Index). SOX259.

<6> Oxfordshire County Council, 1961, Fairey Aerial Surveys, 6125/12.105 (Photograph). SOX264.

Site Number 2

Site Name Akeman Street (west section)

Type of Site ROAD

NMRS Number

HER Number 8921

Status Non designated

Easting 454867 **Northing** 221069

Parish



Council

OXFORDSHIRE

Description

Margary Road 16b; section of road from Alchester to Cirencester. See also PRN 8920.#

HER Record centred 439230, 214410. AOC number centred on OS 1888 Map.

- (4) Presence of road shown up by its roadside ditches exposed in a pipe trench
- (5) Gas pipeline trench in 1972 showed little evidence for a metalled surface or side ditches
- (6) Slight agger 5m wide parallel to and 10m south of present Chesterton Lane. Rough stone cobble surface 0.1m thick and 2-5m wide below turf line. Laid in natural subsoil. Undated. Exposed at SP 5485 2105. Confirmed by pipeline trench and testing assoc with M40.
- (7) Watching brief prior to housing development revealed section of Akeman Street, buried 0.6m below present ground level. Possible ditch located on south side, now found on north side. No Roman artefacts recovered
- (8) At SP 550 211, construction of a road bridge for Chesterton Lane revealed layers of metalling of Akeman Street, lying 5.1m below the surface
- (9) Fabric of Akeman Street was located, 6.5m wide and up to 0.51m thick
- (10) Account of excavation of Akeman Street in trial trench. Akeman St located 2km W of Alchester; known to lie beneath Chesterton Lane. Partly sectioned by bridge foundation. Pottery found on surface. Roadside ditches not visible, but metalled surface (made up of brashy subsoil quarried from roadside ditches) was. Road appears to have been patched and once remetalled.
- 11) A length of the Road was fieldwalked in 2004 ahead of a pipeline. No significant scatters were located.
- 12) During groundworks prior to erection of new dance studio. WB identified 2 cut features, interpreted as roadside ditches, as well as discrete pit with abundant finds.
- 13) A Watching Brief carried out ahead of the construction of a new building and access. The site was evaluated in 1996 and located a Roman trackway. A ditch relating to this trackway was recorded in this watching brief as well as a modern farmyard surface.
- 15) Portions of road's course survive in hedgerow alignments and under fields. Akeman Street crosses the A40 in the vicinity of the grade-separated interchange.
- 16) Same information in 3rd edition as 1st edition on section of road in Oxfordshire.
- 17) A small undated ditch was recorded on the N side of the road during a WB on the western side of Ramsden. Aligned with the road and containing a pebble fill which may be the eroded metalled surface.
- 18) Draft publication report for Oxo.
- 19) See for information in DRF (SP31NE) related to possible Roman road connecting to Akeman St, running through Finstock.
- 20) Photo transferred to Oxon History Centre.
- 21) WB was successful in establishing the alignment of the Roman road and its excellent state of preservation.
- 22) Section of Roman road was mapped as part of this NMP project; it is visible as cropmark and slight earthwork. Road is located W of Bembury Lodge Plantation between SP 2085 0761 and SP 2117 0771, and is defined as a linear cropmark and slight earthwork of the buried metalled road which measures approx 7m in width. The road follows the alignment of field boundaries to the E and then continues along the road line. (data from NMP SP 20 NW 39 long listing).
- 23) See Oxo published report for detail.
- <1> I D Margary, 1957, Roman Roads in Britain, pp.144-147 (Bibliographic reference). SOX747.
- <2> Archaeological Journal, Vol 9, p.30; Vol 6 (1926) pp.43-53 (Serial). SOX443.
- <3> Oxford Architectural & Historical Society, Oxoniensia, Vol 7 (1942) p.109 (Serial). SOX284.
- <4> Field Notes/Field Visit, R A Chambers, 30.4.80. See DRF under PRN 12384 (Unpublished document). SOX261.
- <5> Oxford Architectural & Historical Society, Oxoniensia, Vol XLIII (1978) p.48. Archaeology of Charlbury to Arncott Gas Pipeline (Serial). SOX284.
- <6> Oxford Architectural & Historical Society, Oxoniensia, Vol 57 (1992) p.51. Archaeology of the M40 (Serial). SOX284.
- <7> Oxford Archaeological Unit, 1993, Watching brief at Green Lane, Chesterton (Unpublished document). SOX851.
- <8> Britannia, Vol XXI (1990) p.334. See CAS Lib: Vale 41 (Serial). SOX282.
- <9> Britannia, Vol XXVI (1995) p.355 (Serial). SOX282.



Site Number 3

Site Name Undated Square Enclosure with internal Circular

Type of Site CIRCULAR ENCLOSURE

NMRS Number

HER Number 9190

Status Non designated

Easting

Northing

Parish CHESTERTON
Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Identified from preliminary survey of M40 routes and AP- No location provided

No other details

<1> Aerial Photographs, In possession of Eastern Road Construction Unit in 1974 (Part of 1962

County Coverage) (Photograph). SOX295.

<2> Oxfordshire County Council, 1961, Fairey Aerial Surveys, 6125/13024 (Photograph).

SOX264.

Site Number 4

Site Name Undated Trackway and Associated Buildings

Type of Site BUILDING

NMRS Number

HER Number 9191

Status Non designated

Easting 454400 **Northing** 220800

Parish WESTON-ON-THE-GREEN

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description From preliminary survey of M40 routes. ? Roman villa; ? structures associated with airfield

No other details

<1> Aerial Photographs, In possession of Eastern Road Construction Unit in 1974 (Part of 1962

County Coverage) (Photograph). SOX295.

Site Number 5

Site Name Bronze Age Ring Ditches

Type of Site RING DITCH

NMRS Number

HER Number 13905



Status Non designated

Easting 453500

Northing 222000

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Group of 4 ring ditches 200m SW of Oxford Lodge. Identified from AP's

No other details

<1> English Heritage, NMR Aerial Photographs, SP 4420/1/020 (Photograph). SOX294

Site Number 6

Site Name Site of Manor Farm Mill

Type of Site WATERMILL

NMRS Number

HER Number 4369

Status Non designated

Easting 456300

Northing 221300

Parish BICESTER

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description The walls of a wheel space on the small stream mark the remains of a mill. Site only. Wheel

missing, probably undershot

2) Unclassifiable for MPP

<1> Local Informant as main provider of information, J K Major, 27.6.70 (Verbal

communication). SOX277.

<2> MPP Documents for Oxfordshire, S Lisk, 8.6.93 (Index). SOX259.

Site Number 7

Site Name Site of Post Medieval Windmill, Bicester Field

Type of Site WINDMILL

NMRS Number

HER Number 13598

Status Non designated

Easting 456510

Northing 222510

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Bicester's last windmill, destroyed in 1886. Located ca 730m NE of Bignell House. Remains fully

excavated

1) Richard Davis' map of 1797 and APs show the location of a windmill. The aerial photos



reveal a cropmark which marks the place where the basal 'tump' was and also the accomodation way to it

4) Scored for MPP

5) In Trench 11, the remains of a post Medieval or possibly earlier windmill, also observed on an earlier geophysical survey, were revealed. An area around this trench was opended up, with the site of the former windmill fully exposed and investigated. It was a segmented enclosure with a central cruciform post foundation. The date range of the pottery found in the enclosure and cruciform features, taken with the historic map evidence, suggests prolonged use of the site as a windmill, from perhaps the C13 or C14. No significant archaeological resources were found elsewhere in the development area.

<1> 1797, Davis Map, Examined by I Hornbrook (1984) (Map). SOX386.

<2> Oxfordshire County Council, 1961, Fairey Aerial Surveys, 12109-10 (Photograph). SOX264.

<3> 1768, Jeffrey's Map of Oxfordshire (Map). SOX382.

<4> MPP Documents for Oxfordshire, S Lisk, 10.6.93 (Index). SOX259.

<5> Pre-Construct Archaeology, 2013, Bicester Phase 2, Land South Of Middleton Stoney Road, Bicester, Oxfordshire: Archaeological Evaluation and Excavation Report (Unpublished document). SOX3024.

Site Number 8

Site Name Medieval Ditches and Pit (SE of Church of St Mary)

Type of Site DITCH

NMRS Number

HER Number 4986

Status Non designated

Easting 456200 **Northing** 221300

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description DITCH (Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD)

Evidence DESTROYED MONUMENT Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT PIT (Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD) Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

Ditches and a pit dating from the C12th to the C13th have been located by members of the

OUAS

No more details

<1> Oxford Architectural & Historical Society, Oxoniensia, Vol XXV (1960) p.131 (Serial).

SOX284.

Site Number 9

Site Name Church of St Mary, Manor Farm Lane, Great

Type of Site CHURCH
NMRS Number 1300898
HER Number 5108

Status Listed Building- Grade II*



Easting 456180 **Northing** 221360

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Late C12, C13-C15. Restored in 1865 by F.C. Penrose

SP52SE CHESTERTON MANOR FARM LANE

6/39 (North side)

07/12/66 Great Chesterton

Church of St Mary (Formerly listed as Church of St Mary Virgin)

GV II*

Church. Late C12, C13, C14 and C15; restored 1866 by F.C. Penrose. Limestone rubble, partly rendered, with ashlar dressings; lead roofs. Chancel, aisled nave, west tower and south porch. Chancel has two 2-light Decorated windows to south but has C13 lancet low-side windows, cusped to south, and a C13 priests' door with a renewed shouldered arch; east window is of 1852 and the parapet is probably C15. Narrow south aisle has a 2-light Decorated window with geometrical tracery and 3 square-headed C15 windows. South porch is probably C14 but the entrance arch has been rebuilt though retaining ancient doors; it shelters a simple C14 doorway. Rendered north aisle is restored, with C19 windows to east and west, but it retains a blocked chamfered doorway and 2 square-headed windows, one with Perpendicular tracery. C15 clerestory has square-headed windows of 2 trefoiled lights. 3-stage C14 tower has a 2-light west window with reticulated tracery, and has similar bell-chamber openings; the solid parapet has a frieze of quatrefoils. Interior: chancel has a C14 triple sedilia with free-standing shafts and ball-flower ornament plus traces of painted decoration; rectangular double-bowl piscina and aumbry, above, also have some painted patterning. Roof is dated 1857. Chancel arch has detached shafts with stiff -leaf capitals. Transitional north arcade of 3-bay nave has pointed arches on round piers with scalloped capitals; taller C13 south arcade has moulded capitals. Nave roof with moulded cambered beams and moulded purlins is probably C15/C16, but aisle roofs are C19. Fittings include a plain tub font with an elaborate C18 wrought-iron finial and arched crane, plus several pieces of C16 and C17 woodwork incorporated into furnishings and a fine C17 communion table with carved baluster legs. Memorials include a brass to William Maunde (died 1612) and his wife. Wrought-iron chandelliers have details similar to the font ironwork and may be contemporary.

(V.C.H.; Oxfordshire, Vol. VI, p.102; Buildings of England: Oxfordshire, pp.617-8). Listing NGR: SP5618821366

- (3) Replacement of suspended timber floors beneath the pews has confirmed that both the north and south aisle arcades rest on foundations of an earlier rectangular nave.
- 6) Transferred to Oxon History Centre.
- <1> Dept of Environment/DCMS, List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest, Cherwell List 64: 6/39 p.17 (Index). SOX260.
- <2> Victoria County History of Oxford, Vol 6 (1959) p.102 (Serial). SOX252.
- <3a> OAU Newsletter, Arch News vol xviii no 1 March 1990 p.18 (Article in serial). SOX270.
- <3> CBA South Midlands Group, South Midlands Archaeology, Vol 21 (1991) p.101. R A Chambers (Serial). SOX5.
- <4> OAU Newsletter, Arch News, vol xvii no 4 December 1989 pp.11-12 (Article in serial). SOX270.
- <5> Additional Information in Detailed Record File, Report and section regarding replacement of floorboards beneath pews (1991) (Index). SOX258.
- <6> English Heritage (RCHME), 1987-1989, Historic Buildings Photographic Record Card (Photograph). SOX2063.

Site Number 10

Site Name Manor Farm House, Manor Farm Lane

Type of Site HALL HOUSE NMRS Number 1369747



HER Number 12700

Status Listed Building- Grade II*

Easting 456310

Northing 221360

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Early C12 and C16/17, remodelled late C18.

SP52SE CHESTERTON MANOR FARM LANE

(South side) Great Chesterton 6/40 Manor Farm House

GV II*

Manor house. Early C12 and C16/C17, remodelled late C18. Limestone rubble with wooden lintels; Stonesfield-slate and Welsh-slate roof with brick stacks. L-plan with attached range. 2 storeys plus attics and one storey plus attic. Regular 5- window front of main range has a central dooorway and renewed sashes (12-pane at ground floor and 9-pane above) and has a stone band above first-floor windows; stone-slate roof has 3 gabled roof dormers with brick gable stacks. Lean-to addition against right gable wall. Short rear wing, returning on left, is probably C16/C17 and originally extended beyond the

present front; a single-storey kitchen bay to rear of it is C18. Large range linked to rear of right end of main range, and parallel with it, is C12 with a C17 roof; it has 2 original small window openings in the right end (both with later lintels) and an original round-headed entrance, converted to a window and now contained within the linking range. The remains of a window in the left gable is probably medieval. C20 gable and steps to rear. To rear of this range is a timber-framed privy, with brick infill, probably early C18. Interior: rear wing and left end of house have intersecting chamfered beams and an early partition with lattice panels; front windows have panelled shutters; pine panelling in lean-to room. Linking range has some medieval stonework and an early beam which may have formed part of a porch to the C12 range. Lower storey of C12 range is the barrel-vaulted undercroft to a first-floor hall or chamber; the round-arched splays to the end windows and the groined vault over the original doorway survive, but the undercroft is now subdivided by a later, though possibly medieval, crosswall, and there are inserted doorways to right and in the left gable wall plus an inserted window to rear. Upper floor is now contained within the 6-bay butt-purlin roof which has through tenons and had 2 collars (the lower collars are now removed). The building had become a detached outbuilding until late C20 when it was linked to the house, converted, and recognized as one of the earliest known examples of the first-floor hall or chamber, and evidence for a contemporary encircling moat was found.

- (Dr. J. Blair, Medieval Archaeology, Vol.28, (1984), pp.235-6; V.C.H.: 0xfordshire, Vol.VI, p.93). Listing NGR: SP5631621367
- (3) To the east of the present manor house is a rectangular building with paved stone barrel vaulted undercroft. Undercroft probably dates to first half of C12th, and is rare surviving fragment of domestic architecture of that period. Rebuilt in Post Med. Report transferred to Oxon History Centre.
- (4) Survey by J Steane and J Blair to rear of house revealed barrel vault and 2 semi-circular headed doorways. Recognised as lower part of a Norman 1st floor hall house; photographic and measured surveys have been made
- (5) Excavation and study of standing building by J Blair and J Steane. Found were mid-Saxon sherds in a ditch, one of few Saxon sites in NE Oxon. May have been centre of some importance due to its location on Akeman Street. C12th sherds of St Neots ware may indicate this site was the caput of a small barony; vaulted cellar and stone building and moat remain as well. Later medieval buildings were found. Plans and sections included.
- 9) Transferred to oxon History Centre (including B&W photos).
- (11) Archaeological observations and photographs of undercroft, rare C12th survival of utilitarian nature. All proposed alterations will not impinge on undercroft.
- (12) Attention was given to the C12th undercroft, which survives because of stone construction. Good status indicator. A brief walk was taken around the interior of the house to ascertain the overall relationship of the parts. Detailed historical account.
- 13) Transferred to Oxon History Centre.



<1> Dept of Environment/DCMS, List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest, Cherwell List 64:6/40 p.18 (Index). SOX260.

<2> General reference, M Wood: 'The English Medieval House' (1965) pp.16-34 (Bibliographic reference). SOX373.

<3> Field Notes/Field Visit, J M Steane, J Blair, C Bradford, (1980/1). (Unpublished document). SOX261.

<3a> CBA South Midlands Group, South Midlands Archaeology, CBA9 NL 11 (1981) pp.80-1 (Serial). SOX5.

<4> Medieval Archaeology, Vol XXV (1981) p.218 (Serial). SOX318.

Site Number 11

Site Name Bignell Deserted Medieval Village

Type of Site SETTLEMENT

NMRS Number

HER Number 861

Status Non designated

Easting 455900

Northing 222100

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Ruins of chapel near Bignell, formerly the manor of Bigenhull recorded c.1700. Modern houses

cover suspected site, no visible remains. Village was deserted between 1350 and 1450

5) Are faint traces of the DMV in the Fairey AP's. Identified during the Cherwell District cropmark survey.

<1> General reference, Dunkin: 'History of Bicester' (1816) p.135 (Bibliographic reference). SOX373.

<2> Allison, Beresford & Hurst, 1965, Deserted Villages of Oxfordshire, p.32 (Monograph).

<3> Medieval Village Research Group, See DRF (Serial). SOX336.

<4> Additional Information in Detailed Record File, Notes from Mrs Wickham Steed (undated) (Index). SOX258.

<5> Oxfordshire County Council, 1961, Fairey Aerial Surveys, 12.016-7 (Photograph). SOX264.

Site Number 12

Site Name Medieval Building (site of)

Type of Site BUILDING

NMRS Number

HER Number 1591

Status Non designated

Easting 456150

Northing 221400

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Earthworks in centre of Chesterton originally thought to be Roman fort. Now known to be



remains of 13th century building. Medieval pottery finds imply that occupation stopped in 14th century

1) Site investigated by the OUAS in the early 1960s

<1> Medieval Archaeology, Vol 4 (1960) pp.153-5 (Serial). SOX318

Site Number 13

Site Name Roman Brooch
Type of Site FINDSPOT

NMRS Number

HER Number 9949

Status Non designated

Easting 455000 **Northing** 220000

Parish WENDLEBURY
Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Bronze disc brooch with ten radiating lugs, face with central field of blue enamel within ring of

red enamel; catch plate and hinge attachment. Diameter = 23mm. Found near Alchester but

exact location unknown. MARGINAL

1) Correspondence discarded as it related only to sending and return of brooch for

photographing; photo has been retained.

<1> Local Informant as main provider of information, Mr Murray (finder). Correspondence,

including photograph, in DRF (Verbal communication). SOX277.

Site Number 14

Site Name Mesolithic Quartzite Macehead

Type of Site FINDSPOT

NMRS Number

HER Number 2547

Status Non designated

Easting 455000 **Northing** 221000

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Recorded on OS Record Card. MARGINAL

No other details

<1> OS Record Card, SP 52 SE 3 (Index). SOX273.

Site Number 15



Site Name Bronze Age Ring Ditches (c.600m ENE of Bignell

Type of Site RING DITCH

NMRS Number

HER Number 13588

Status Non designated

 Easting
 456400

 Northing
 222200

 Parish
 CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

DescriptionTwo contiguous circles, the north-westerly appears to have a raised central area. There may be

two others in the area represented by roughly circular dark areas. Identified from AP's

2) Linear feature (as sketched on cropmark overlay) visible in this AP series, but the ring ditches are not. Examined during the Cherwell District cropmark survey

3) Ring ditches identified through aerial photography. Darker circular features are interpreted as natural features (possibly anomalies in underlying limestone) as they do not show up on photographs that show other features clearly. In the same area are a series of rectangular enclosures and linear features which continue into PRN 13589

<1> RAF Aerial Photographs, (1947) OS Mosaic (Photograph). SOX335.

<2> Oxfordshire County Council, 1961, Fairey Aerial Surveys, 12.016-7, 12.109 (Photograph).

SOX264.

<3> Air Photo Services Ltd, 2005, Land southwest of Bicester, Oxfordshire: Interpretation of

Aerial Photographs for Archaeology (Unpublished document). SOX1735.

Site Number 16

Site Name Bronze Age Ring Ditch (500m S of Akeman Street)

Type of Site RING DITCH

NMRS Number

HER Number 13906

Status Non designated

Easting 454900 **Northing** 220460

Parish WESTON-ON-THE-GREEN

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Single ring ditch identified from NMR AP

No other details

<1> English Heritage, NMR Aerial Photographs, SP 5519/1 (Photograph). SOX294.

Site Number 17

Site Name Neolithic to Bronze Age Axehead

Type of Site FINDSPOT

NMRS Number



HER Number 16075

Status Non designated

Easting 455000

Northing 220000

Parish BICESTER

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Flint axehead found in field near Bicester by travelling veteran during last war. MARGINAL

No more details

<1> Local Informant as main provider of information, J Wallis, OCM. Recorded on SMR by S

Lisk, 29.11.97 (Verbal communication). SOX277.

<2> Additional Information in Detailed Record File, Detailed description and illustrations (1996)

(Index). SOX258.

Site Number 18

Site Name Undated Rectangular Enclosure (c.450m ENE of

Type of Site LINEAR FEATURE

NMRS Number

HER Number 13589

Status Non designated

 Easting
 456390

 Northing
 222330

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Multi-sided rectangular enclosure with several internal divisions plus two small circular

enclosures

2) Rectangular enclosures from APs plotted on 1:10000 OS Map. 1961 AP show complex series of cropmarks at this location, which are caused by natural, archaeological and modern features. The archaeological features comprise a series of ditched rectangular enclosures and associated boundaries and trackways. Features are likely to be more extensive than shown on the photos. The area is likely to have been overlain by ridge and furrow, now mostly eroded, and has been heavily ploughed. Enclosures merge into the cropmarks of PRN 13588, a series of possible ring gullies, and these two sites may be associated.

<1> Oxfordshire County Council, 1961, Fairey Aerial Surveys, 12109-10 (Photograph). SOX264. <2> Air Photo Services Ltd, 2005, Land southwest of Bicester, Oxfordshire: Interpretation of

Aerial Photographs for Archaeology (Unpublished document). SOX1735.

Site Number 19

Site Name Well at Chesterton Lodge

Type of Site WELL

NMRS Number

HER Number 16295

Status Non designated



Easting 456362 **Northing** 221210

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Limestone construction; 19m deep; 70 cm diameter. Still waterfilled; no dating evidence.

Visible on C18 maps in settled area; may be coeval with first Chesterton Lodge in c. 1800.

Roman date cannot be ruled out.

1) Only 3rd map referred to on letter has been found.

<1> Field Notes/Field Visit, S Weaver, 20.10.00. See report and letter in DRF (Unpublished

document). SOX261.

<2> Slide Cabinet, 1 of well taken by S Weaver (2000) (Photograph). SOX303.

Site Number 20

Site Name Roman Coins
Type of Site FINDSPOT

NMRS Number

HER Number 16452

Status Non designated

 Easting
 455550

 Northing
 220620

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Ca 25 late Roman coins from a rural area in proximity to Alchester. Suggestive of presence of

villa or settlement nearby.

1) Coins found from metal detecting within an area of 50 x 50m; mostly late Roman coins.

(Information missing, SVL, 20/01/15).

<1> Additional Information in Detailed Record File (Index). SOX258.

Site Number 21

Site Name Medieval objects with Roman brooch found near

Type of Site FINDSPOT

NMRS Number

HER Number 16579

Status Non designated

Easting 455000

Northing 220000

Parish BICESTER

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description C14-15 collection, including horseshoe, belt plate, Medieval seal die, and dress fastener found

near Bicester c. 13/12/2000; AM ID form filed in DRF. MARGINAL



1) Form discarded as all information added; all finds retained by finder.

<1> Ashmolean Museum (Artefact Identification). SOX322.

Site Number 22

Site Name Roman Brooch found at Greenfield

Type of Site FINDSPOT

NMRS Number

HER Number 16581

Status Non designated

Easting 455000

Northing 220000

Parish BICESTER

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Roman Brooch, perhaps 2nd Century. Found c.1997. MARGINAL

1) Original AM form has been discarded as all the info on it has been transferred to this record.

<1> Ashmolean Museum (Artefact Identification). SOX322.

Site Number 23

Site Name Medieval silver strap end from Bicester

Type of Site FINDSPOT

NMRS Number

Site Number

HER Number 16961

Status Non designated

Easting 455000

Northing 220000

Parish BICESTER

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Found from metal detecting in Sept 2001; late medieval. Possibly St Jerome

1) TREASURE ITEM; see for details.

2) see for photo.

3) see for Ashmolean identification.

<1> Oxford Architectural & Historical Society, Oxoniensia, Vol LXIX (2004), p 421 (Serial).

SOX284.

<2> DCMS, 2001, Treasure Annual Report 2001, see p 84 (Serial). SOX1603. <3> Additional Information in Detailed Record File (Index). SOX258.

Site Name STABLES AND COACH HOUSES NORTH WEST

Type of Site COACH HOUSE



NMRS Number 1241628 HER Number 18122

Status Listed Building- Grade II

Easting 456200 **Northing** 221245

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Stables and coach houses. Probably 1890; for Henry Tubb, a Bicester banker

SP52SE CHESTERTON

Stables and Coach Houses north

1714-0/6/10007 west of Chesterton Lodge

GVII

Dressed and coursed limestone with freestone dressings. Slate roofs with stone coped gable ends and lead roll ridges. Stone axial and gable-end stacks. PLAN: H-shaped plan with small forecourt on the north side and longer wings on the south side flanking a larger courtyard. Italianate style.

EXTERIOR: 1-storey and attic and single-storey south wings. North front: 3-bay centre with arched ground floor openings and three small gables with oculae and small finials; flanking 2-storey wings with rusticated quoins, oculae on the ground floor and round-arch windows above. South side facing courtyard has similar gables, central segmental arch doorway with hoodmould and carriage doorways to left and right with elliptical arches with hoodmoulds. Long single-storey wings to right and left with hipped-roof blocks in the angles, the S.E. wing with segmental-headed sash windows and round-headed doorways, all with moulded architraves with keystones, the S.W. wing has carriage doors; both wings have large roundheaded sashes in the gable ends. Low wall enclosing south side of courtyard with ashlar gate-piers with ball-finials. Leadclad clock tower over centre of main range with low square

INTERIOR not inspected. Listing NGR: SP5620021245

dome with finial.

Dept of Environment/DCMS, List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest,

Cherwell List 64: 1714-0/6/10007, p.18(a) (Index). SOX260.

Site Number 25

Site Name THATCHOVER, ALCHESTER ROAD, GREAT CHESTERTON

Type of Site HOUSE

NMRS Number 1046535

HER Number 18117

Status Listed Building- Grade II

Easting 456078

Northing 221366

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description House, formerly subdivided. C17

SP52SE CHESTERTON ALCHESTER ROAD

(West side) Great Chesterton 6/38 Thatchover



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Limestone rubble with wooden lintels; thatch roof with brick stacks. L-plan. One storey plus attic. Irregular 4-window front has a doorway, to right of centre, beside a shallow projection; windows, of 2 and 3 lights, all have renewed casements and, at first floor, are mostly half dormers. Main range has 2 ridge stacks plus a gable stack, to left, rising from a stone chimney projection. Rear wing, returning on right, has similar casements plus further gable stack. Interior: some original spine and lateral beams have matrices for soffit tenons with diminished haunches.

Listing NGR: SP5607821366

<1> Dept of Environment/DCMS, List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest,

Cherwell List 64: 6/38, p.16 (Index). SOX260.

<2> English Heritage (RCHME), 1987-1989, Historic Buildings Photographic Record Card

(Photograph). SOX2063

Site Number 26

Site Name NO 6 TUBBS LANE GREAT CHESTERTON

Type of Site HOUSE

NMRS Number 1046536

HER Number 18119

Status Listed Building- Grade II

Easting 456339

Northing 221345

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Cottage, probably formerly a mill house. 1769 on datestone, part possibly earlier: extended C20

SP52SE CHESTERTON TUBBS LANE

(North side) Great Chesterton 6/41 No.6 GV II

Limestone rubble, partly coursed, with wooden lintels; concrete interlocking-tile roo. Single-unit plan, extended to rear. 2 storeys. 2-window front has a doorway to right, 3 renewed 2-light casements, and an area of random rubble walling to left, defined by a straight joint, which

is probably older than the dated section. Interior not inspected.

Listing NGR: SP5633921345

<1> Dept of Environment/DCMS, List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest,

Cherwel List 64: 6/41, p.18 (Index). SOX260.

<2> English Heritage (RCHME), 1987-1989, Historic Buildings Photographic Record Card

(Photograph). SOX2063.

Site Number 27

Site Name OXFORD LODGE, A43

Type of Site GATE LODGE
NMRS Number 1200180
HER Number 18116

Status Listed Building- Grade II



Easting 453321 **Northing** 222144

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Gate lodge. Late C18

SP52SW CHESTERTON A43

(West side) 5/37 Oxford Lodge

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Limestone rubble with some ashlar dressings. Elongated octagonal plan with additions. 2-storey crenellated tower has arched Gothick ground-floor windows with a crenellated porch in the left cant of the front. First floor has small openings above an ashlar band: at the front, round windows flanking a blind quatrefoil; at the rear, the same but mostly blind. Crenellated chimney to right. Hipped-roofed addition to rear. Interior not inspected. One of the gate

lodges to Middleton Park

(q.v.).

Listing NGR: SP 53321 22144

<1> Dept of Environment/DCMS, List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest,

Cherwell List 64: 5/37, p.15 (Index). SOX260.

<2> English Heritage (RCHME), 1987-1989, Historic Buildings Photographic Record Card

(Photograph). SOX2063.

Site Number 28

Site Name NO 4 TUBBS LANE GREAT CHESTERTON

Type of Site HOUSE

NMRS Number 1200194

HER Number 18120

Status Listed Building- Grade II

Easting 456314

Northing 221311

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description House. C17 or possibly earlier

SP52SE CHESTERTON TUBBS LANE

6/42 (South side) Great Chesterton

No.4 GV II

Coursed limestone rubble with some wooden lintels; concrete interlocking-tile roof with rendered stacks. 3-unit plan. 2 storeys plus attic. 3-window front has the doorway to left of centre and a 2-light casement to right, both with rendered lintels, and has a 3-light casement to left with a wooden lintel; first-floor casements are all of 2 lights. Left gable has a 2-light attic window above the roof of an early single-storey addition. Right end wall is rendered. Main roof has stacks to left of centre and on the right gable, both with stone weatherings. Interior not inspected.

Listing NGR: SP5631421311

<1> Dept of Environment/DCMS, List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest, Cherwell List 64: 6/42, p.19 (Index). SOX260.

<2> English Heritage (RCHME), 1987-1989, Historic Buildings Photographic Record Card



(Photograph). SOX2063.

Site Number 29

Site Name CHESTERTON LODGE INCLUDING FORECOURT

Type of Site COUNTRY HOUSE

NMRS Number 1241627 HER Number 18121

Status Listed Building- Grade II

 Easting
 456296

 Northing
 221176

Parish CHESTERTON
Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Country house. 1890; for Henry Tubb, a banker of Bicester

The following buildings shall be added:-

SP53SE CHESTERTON Chesterton Lodge including forecourt

1714-0/6/10001 balustrade immediately west

GV II

Coursed dressed limestone with freestone dressings. Slate hipped roofs with lead roll hips and

ridge and moulded stone eaves cornice. Stone axial stacks with cornices.

PLAN: Central 3-storey block with entrance and stairhall, flanking 2-storey wings and service

wing on left [north]. Italianate style.

EXTERIOR: 3-storey 2:2:2 bay centre block with superimposed orders with Composite pilasters, entablatures, pedimented centre bay with acroteria, rusticated corner pilasters and central doorway in antis with tripartite window above with balustrade. 2-storey 2:2 bay flanking wings with tripartite sashes on the ground floor and paired sashes with scrolled pediments. The right [south] wing projects at the rear and has two large 2-storey bow windows on its south side. 2:5:4 bay east garden front. Service wing on north side has tower with balustraded parapet.

Centre block has wooden lantern over

centre.

INTERIOR: Elaborate intact interior with large central stairhall. INCLUDING balustrade to

forecourt immediately west of house.

SOURCES: Buildings of England, p. 618. Kelly's Directory.

Listing NGR: SP5629621176

Dept of Environment/DCMS, List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest,

Cherwell List 64: 1714-0/6/10001, p.18(a) (Index). SOX260.

Site Number 30

Site Name IVY COTTAGE INCLUDING FRONT GARDEN

Type of Site HOUSE

NMRS Number 1276742

HER Number 18118

Status Listed Building- Grade II

Easting 456152

Northing 221321

Parish CHESTERTON



Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description House. Circa 1840; extended circa late C19 or C20

The following building shall be added:-SP52SE CHESTERTON ALCHESTER ROAD

1714-0/6/10006 (East side)

Ivy Cottage including front garden area railings and gate to west

GV II

Limestone rubble with vermiculated cement quoins; brick extension at rear. Slate roof with gabled ends. Gable-end stacks with short red brick shafts.

PLAN: Double depth plan with two principal front rooms, central entrance to stairhall and service rooms in integral outshut at rear right. Outshut extended on left circa late C19 or C20. EXTERIOR: 2 storeys. Symmetrical 3-window west front. Cl9 12-pane sashes in exposed boxing on first floor; ground floor in moulded architraves and replaced by C20 French casements; central doorway in pilastered doorcase with entablature and 6- panel door. Roof at rear carried down over outshut; brick extension on right; casement windows with glazing bars and panelled door at centre.

INTERIOR: Staircase has stick balusters, wreathed mahogany handrail and turned newel. Much of the joinery survives including panelled doors, but the chimneypieces in the front left and right rooms have been replaced. INCLUDING: C19 Wrought and cast-iron front garden area railings and gate with fleur-de-lis finials and scroll stanchions.

Listing NGR: SP5615221321

Dept of Environment/DCMS, List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest,

Cherwell List 64: 1714-0/6/10006, p.16 (Index). SOX260.

Site Number 31

Site Name BARN APPROXIMATELY 40 METRES NORTH

Type of Site BARN

NMRS Number 1046534

HER Number 18115

Status Listed Building- Grade II

Easting 454286

Northing 222418

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Barn. Mid/late C18

SP52SW CHESTERTON A4095

(North side)

5/36 Barn approx. 40m. NW of Chesterton Fields Farmhouse

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Limestone rubble; corrugated-asbestos roof. 5-bay and 3-bay plans, each with porch. Front has 5-bay section to left with central hipped-roofed porch; smaller section to right has central double doors. Rear has small double doors below a depressed arch in the centre of the 5-bay section, and has a central hipped-roofed porch to the 3-bay section. Small rectangular ventilator are now blocked. Interior: butt-purlin roof with through tenons.

Listing NGR: SP5428622418

<1> Dept of Environment/DCMS, List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest, Cherwell List 64: 5/36, p.15 (Index). SOX260.

<2> English Heritage (RCHME), 1987-1989, Historic Buildings Photographic Record Card (Photograph). SOX2063.



Site Number 32

Site Name Anglo Saxon/Medieval pit and ditch, Manor Farm

OXFORDSHIRE

Type of Site DITCH

NMRS Number

Council

HER Number 26417

Status Non designated

Easting 456205

Northing 221405

Parish CHESTERTON

Description Watching brief located an Anglo Saxon/Medieval rubbish pit and a contemporary ditch

1) WB located two features: a rubbish pit and a ditch, both contemporary and of Anglo Saxon/Medieval date. These features appear contemporary with medieval remains found 40m NE of St Mary's Church, a C13 building lying 60m west of the site. The ditch could represent a boundary ditch delineating the edge of the settlements. The pit contained fragments of pot,

bone and floor tile, spanning period AD 450-1350

<1> John Moore Heritage Services, 2010, The Tithe Barn, Manor Farm Lane, Chesterton,

Oxfordshire: Archaeological Watching Brief (Unpublished document). SOX2508.

<2> CBA South Midlands Group, South Midlands Archaeology, SMA 41 (2011) 39 (Serial). SOX5.

Site Number 33

Site Name Prehistoric settlement site at Whitelands Farm

Type of Site CURVILINEAR ENCLOSURE

NMRS Number

HER Number 27952

Status Non designated

Easting 456683

Northing 222300

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Geophysical survey identified limited traces of features that suggest early occupation of the

site.

1) Potential ditches were recorded within or close to a cropmark complex, thought to represent a field system, but the majority of cropmark features were not clearly identified by the survey. Clear traces of a former windmill were detected, and immediately to the east, a number of less distinct anomalies which could reflect earlier mills, or possibly much earlier remains, such as barrows. Traces of a penannular enclosure were also observed, as well as ridge and furrow. See report forlocational information.

<1> Pre-Construct Archaeology, 2012, Whitelands Farm, Bicester: Report on Geophysical Survey (Unpublished document). SOX2929.



Site Number 34

Site Name Late Iron Age settlement

SETTLEMENT Type of Site

NMRS Number

HER Number 28189

Status Non designated

Easting 456400 **Northing** 222090 **Parish BICESTER** Council **OXFORDSHIRE**

Description Several features indicative of settlement were located by trenches in Area E of the evaluation

in alignment with previously seen cropmarks, these were discrete and fairly deep

Settlement features include postholes, pits and gullies covering an area at least 150m2, directly associated spatially with a field system of probable Late Iron Age date. A field

boundary was also noted.

<1> 2006, Land South West of Bicester, Oxfordshire: Report on Archaeological Evaluation

(Stage 1) (Unpublished document). SOX3013.

Site Number 35

Site Name Probable Enclosure, Linear Ditch and Possible Pits

Type of Site DITCH

NMRS Number

HER Number 28484

Status Non designated

455800

Easting Northing 221395 **Parish** CHESTERTON Council **OXFORDSHIRE**

Description Magnetometer survey results indicate the presence of cut features of archaeological potential

in the form of a rectilinear enclosure and linear ditch. Several other discrete anomalies may be

cut pit and ditch features.

1) A detailed magnetometer survey located a positive rectilinear anomaly that appears to relate to an enclosure feature. A further linear ditch, with an apparent deliberate 5.5m gap, is located to the west of the enclosure. Several other linear and discrete anomalies have been located within the site, but these are generally very weak and indistinct and although they may be related to cut, ditch-like and pit-like features, their origin is uncertain. Widespread magnetic debris to the north-eastern part of the site is likely to have originated from its use as allotment gardens. The south-western part of the site contains evidence of medieval cultivation in the

form of ridge and furrow.

<1> Archaeological Surveys Ltd, 2014, Land North of Green Lane, Chesterton, Oxfordshire,

Magnetometer Survey Report (Unpublished document). SOX5393.

Site Number 36



Site Name Rectangular enclosure with interior curvilinear

Type of Site CURVILINEAR ENCLOSURE?

NMRS Number

HER Number 28497

Status Non designated

 Easting
 455500

 Northing
 220800

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

DescriptionAerial photographic evidence of large rectangular enclosure with possible interior enclosure

and pits.

1) S Ford provided AP information that was not found on HER during DBA done.

2) Two aerial photos found at NMR during DBAshowing large rectangular enclosure with interior possible curvilinear enclosure and several pits, all undated. Geological marks also visible

3) Also visible on OCC 2009 aerial coverage for the area.

4) Proximity (approx 200m N) of enclosures to area where late Roman coins were found (PRN 16452) may be significant.

<1> Professional Judgement, info from S Ford (Unpublished note). SOX275.

<2> Aerial Photographs, SP 5520/7 SP55208 20-Jul-2005 NMR 23985/15 (Photograph). SOX295.

<3> Aerial Photographs, 2009 coverage -- online OCC resource (Photograph). SOX295.

<4> Professional Judgement (Unpublished note). SOX275.

Site Number 37

Site Name Roman enclosure and undated ditch

Type of Site BOUNDARY DITCH

NMRS Number

HER Number 28649

Status Non designated

 Easting
 455770

 Northing
 221400

 Parish
 CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Earliest evidence was an EBA arrowhead, but trenches revealed rectilinear enclosure identified

by geophysical survey.

1) The evaluation confirmed that the anomalies identified by the geophysical survey correspond well to buried archaeological features. Both the enclosure and boundary ditches were preserved, but to different degrees across the Site. In general truncation of enclosure was greater within the south-west half of Field 2 (trenches 5 and 6), which was currently under arable cultivation. The overlying deposits in this area were fairly shallow (0.3 m deep) and it seems likely that ploughing has truncated the enclosure ditch here. The best preserved remains were recorded within Field 1, where a greater depth of

overburden was present above the ditch. Ditch 304 was sealed by 0.5 m of top and subsoil. The evaluation did not record any internal features, such as pits or postholes, within the enclosure. This may be a result of the nature of the work, but if such features do survive it seems likely that the best chance of their survival would be in the area of trench 3.



Dating of the enclosure remains uncertain as the only dateable find was a small undiagnostic sherd of Romano-British pottery. Roman activity is known in the wider area and it is possible that this pottery is residual. In light of lack of finds and internal features this feature has been interpreted as an agricultural enclosure, presumably at some distance from a settlement. The boundary ditch was relatively well preserved in both fields. No finds were recovered from either section and it remains undated. The alignment of the ditch appears to follow the alignment of the unnamed road forming the western boundary of the Site, and it is possible that the ditch represents an earlier field boundary or track side ditch.

<1> Wessex Archaeology, 2017, Land West of Chesterton, Oxfordshire: Archaeological Evaluation Report (Digital archive). SOX5755.

Site Number 38

Site Name M40 Investigations

Type of Site Watching Brief

NMRS Number

HER Number EOX1205

Status Event

Easting 455200

Northing 221100

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Watching brief along route of M40; Akeman St partly sectioned by bridge foundations. Ditches

not visible, but metalled surface found.

Site Number 39

Site Name M40 Investigations

Type of Site Watching Brief

NMRS Number

HER Number EOX1206
Status Event
Easting 454850
Northing 221050

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Watching brief along M40; section S of present Chesterton Lane revealed rough stone cobble

exposed in 2 trenches.

Site Number 40

Site Name Land adjacent to Red Cow Public House

Type of Site Watching Brief

NMRS Number



HER Number EOX2791

Status Event
Easting 456149
Northing 221228

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description WB carried out during excavation of footings prior to the construction of a house. No

archaeological features were identified but disturbance was identified associated with the

landscaping of the beer garden and the use of

the site as a bottle dump. All finds, including the glass, dated from the C19th and C20th

Site Number 41

Site Name Green Lane
Type of Site Evaluation

NMRS Number

HER Number EOX2839
Status Event
Easting 455945
Northing 221093

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Despite investigation of 19 soil anomalies, very few features certainly of man-made origin

were found, the best being a stone-lined drain. None of these features were dated and no pre-

modern artefacts were recovered as

stray finds from the trench spoilheaps. Nothing resembling Roman roadside settlement was

discovered. The site is considered to have no archaeological potential

Site Number 42

Site Name The Tithe Barn, Manor Farm Lane

Type of Site Watching Brief

NMRS Number

HER Number EOX2893
Status Event
Easting 456205
Northing 221405

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Watching brief located Anglo Saxon/Medieval pit and contemporary ditch. Watching brief

occurred during monitoring of area for new build and excavation for new foundations and

services.



Site Number 43

Site Name EFW Grid Connection, Ardley

Type of Site Desk Based Assessment

NMRS Number

HER Number EOX2899

Status Event

Easting 454968

Northing 223469

Parish ARDLEY

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description The proposed scheme has the potential to damage or destroy archaeological remains present

along the route. Points at which this is particularly likely to occur are detailed in the report. It is

recommended, therefore, that a

detailed scheme of mitigation should be designed which may involve pre construction excavations and/or watching brief to provide monitoring and salvage excavation with

contingency for more extensive investigation

where discoveries merit it. See report for details. No new archaeological information revealed

(all data from HER).

Site Number 44

Site Name Whitelands Farm

Type of Site Geophysical Survey

NMRS Number

Council

HER Number EOX3334

Status Event

Easting 456683

Northing 222300

Parish CHESTERTON

Description The survey has identified limited traces of features that suggest early occupation of the site.

Potential ditches were recorded within or close to a cropmark complex (thought to represent a

field system associated with an

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early farmstead). However, the majority of cropmark features were not clearly identified by the survey. As such, it is possible that these have either been ploughed out, or lack sufficient

magnetic enhancement to enable a

contrast with surrounding soils. Slight penanular features that may be archaeological are

recorded in the S and NW parts of site.

Site Number 45

Site Name Bicester Phase 2

Type of Site Excavation

NMRS Number



HER Number EOX3463

Status Event

Easting 456510

Northing 222320

Parish BICESTER

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description In advance of a proposed housing development of South West Bicester, a programme of trial

trenching evaluation and further excavation was conducted. 46 trenches of 50m x 1.8m were

excavated, only one yielding

archaeological information. No other finds or features of archaeological significance were

observed

Site Number 46

Site Name Land North of Green Lane

Type of Site Geophysical Survey

NMRS Number

HER Number EOX5795
Status Event
Easting 455800
Northing 221395

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description A detailed magnetometer survey was undertaken within two land parcels, totalling

approximately 2.6ha, ahead of a proposed residential development. The north eastern part of the site contained short grazed grass and the area to the south west contained a rapeseed crop at the time of the survey. The results of the survey indicate the presence of cut features of archaeological potential including a rectilinear enclosure and linear ditch as well as several

other weaker features; possibly pits and ditches

Site Number 47

Site Name Land W of Chesterton

Type of Site Evaluation

NMRS Number

HER Number EOX6136

Status Event

Easting 455770

Northing 221400

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Wessex Archaeology was commissioned by Taylor Wimpey Oxfordshire to undertake an

archaeological evaluation on land west of Chesterton as part of a programme of archaeological investigation carried out prior to proposed residential development at the site. Previous



geophysical survey of the site had indicated the presence of anomalies of probable archaeological origin within the site, and the archaeological trenches were mainly targeted on these anomalies as well as a small number within blank areas in order to ground test the results. The evaluation consisted of ten 30 m by 1.8 m machine excavated trenches, representing a 2% sample of the development area.

The evaluation identified archaeological features in seven of the trenches, all of which were ditches and corresponded well with the geophysical anomalies.

Site Number 48

Site Name Green Lane

Type of Site Watching Brief

NMRS Number

HER Number EOX64
Status Event
Easting 455900
Northing 221250

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Located at E end of Chesterton opposite row of houses known as "The Green." Topsoil

stripped.

Site Number 49

Site Name The Old Manor House

Type of Site Building Survey

NMRS Number

HER Number EOX689

Status Event

Easting 456300

Northing 221400

Parish CHESTERTON

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Archaeological observations and photographs of undercroft, rare C12 survival of utilitarian

nature. All proposed alterations will not impinge on undercroft.

Site Number 50

Site Name The Old Manor House

Type of Site Building Survey

NMRS Number

HER Number EOX835
Status Event



Easting 456310 **Northing** 221350

Parish CHESTERTON
Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Attention was given to the C12th undercroft, which survives because of stone construction.

Good status indicator. A brief walk was taken around the interior of the house to ascertain the

overall relationship of the parts. Detailed historical account.

Site Number 51

Site Name Chesterton

Type of Site Conservation Area

NMRS Number

HER Number

Status Conservation Area

Easting 456080

Northing 221601

Parish Chesterton

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Chesterton Conservation Area was designed in March 1988. Under the Act

Local Planning Authorities have a duty to consider boundary revisions to their conservation areas "from time to time". Chesterton Conservation Area was reviewed in January 1995 and it is now considered appropriate to undertake a further review in order to further define the key characteristics of the area, so that this

document can be used to inform the development of the proposed South West Bicester urban

extension.

Archaeology

The Chesterton Conservation Area occupies much of the original historic village core. Still present within the village are the medieval buildings of the Old Manor and St Mary's Church, plus 13th Century building remains and the Post Medieval site of manor farm mill, a smithy and a school. From studying it would seem logical that the roman road, which enters the village from the west and exits from the south east, at one time crossed through the heart of the village. It would appear that this road was diverted in order to make way for Chesterton Lodge. Predominantly the archaeological sites lie outside of the boundary of the conservation area, located to the North and West. The archaeological map includes two large areas investigated as part of the Bicester urban extension.

Site Number 52

Site Name A4095 Quarry

Quarry

NMRS Number

HER Number

Type of Site

Status Non designated

Easting 455037



Northing 221824

Parish Chesterton

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description A small quarry is depicted bordering the A4095 road from the time of the Ordnance Survey

Map of 1923. Although still depicted on the Ordnance Survey Map of 1967 to 1968 the quarry

has been filled in by the time of the Ordnance Survey Map of 1970.

Ordnance Survey, 1923, Oxfordshire XXII.SE (includes: Bletchingdon; Chesterton; Kirtlington;

Weston on the Green.), Revised: 1919, Published: 1923

OS Plan 1967-1968, 1:2500 OS Plan 1970, 1:10560

Site Number 53

Site Name Entranceway

Type of Site Entranceway

NMRS Number

HER Number

Status Non designated

Easting 454924

Northing 221866

Parish Chesterton

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description A prominent entranceway is shown on Stanley's Map of 1815. This entranceway is still extant

on the present day golf course.

Stanley, W., 1815, Bicester

Site Number 54

Site Name Field Boundary

Type of Site Field Boundary

NMRS Number

HER Number

Status Non designated

Easting 455010

Northing 221654

Parish Chesterton

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description A field boundary is visible on the Ordnance Survey Map of 1900 on a southeast to northwest

alignment. This boundary is still present on the modern Bicester Golf Course as a drainage

boundary.

Ordnance Survey, 1900, Oxfordshire XXII.SE (includes: Bletchingdon; Chesterton; Kirtlington;

Weston on the Green.), Revised: 1898, Published: 1900



Site Number 55

Site Name Golf Club Land Drains

Type of Site Land Drains

NMRS Number

HER Number

Status Non designated

Easting 455097

Northing 221765

Parish Chesterton

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Although ground conditions were dry at the time of the walkover survey condicted by AOC

Archaeology Group on the 28th of March 2019, it was observed that the eastern portion of the Site is known to be more poorly drained. Evidence for disturbance associated with land drains

can be clearly seen together with several drainage ditches in this part of the Site.

Site Number 56

Site Name Chesterton Golf Club Water Feature

Type of Site Golf Club Water Feature

NMRS Number

HER Number

Status Non designated

Easting 455215

Northing 221677

Parish Chesterton

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description A water feature approximately a golf pond is visible on the Ordnance Survey Map of 1993 to

1996. This feature matches an extant golf pond on the present Bicester Golf Course.

OS Plan, 1993 to 1993, 1:10000

Site Number 57

Site Name Chesterton Golf Course Drainage Feature

Type of Site Golf Course Drainage Feature

NMRS Number

HER Number

Status Non designated

Easting 455083 **Northing** 221743



Parish Chesterton

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description A water drainage feature leading off on a southeast to northwest alignment from a golf pond is

visible on the Ordnance Survey Map of 1993 to 1996. This feature matches an estant water

drainage feature on the present Bicester Golf Course.

OS Plan, 1993 to 1993, 1:10000

Site Number 58

Site Name Northbrook High Way

Type of Site Road

NMRS Number

HER Number

Status Non designated

Easting 454084

Northing 221642

Parish Chesterton

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description A road or track labelled 'Northbrook High Way' can be seen between the fields of 'Upper Crop'

and 'Lower Crop' on an irregular west to east alignment, this route accesses 'Standle Ley's

from the west.

By the time of Stanley's Map of 1815, 'Northbrook High Way' is no longer extant follow the

enclosure of the land around Chesterton.

It is visible as a slightly irregular cropmark on aerial photography undertaken on the 12th of

December 1946 and the 16th of April 1947.

1764-8, Chesterton Pre-enclosure Map, c. 1764 – 68, JIVF/1 (Oxfordshire History Centre)

Stanley, W., 1815, Bicester

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Site Number 59

Site Name Field North of Green Lane

Type of Site Ridge and Furrow

NMRS Number

HER Number

Status Non designated

Easting 455076

Northing 221235

Parish Chesterton

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Ridge and Furrow discernible in LiDAR Data from 2003.

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Site Number 60

Site Name Land West of Bignell Park

Type of Site Ridge and Furrow

NMRS Number

HER Number

Status Non designated

Easting 454838

Northing 222147

Parish Chesterton

Council OXFORDSHIRE

Description Ridge and Furrow discernible in LiDAR Data from 2003.

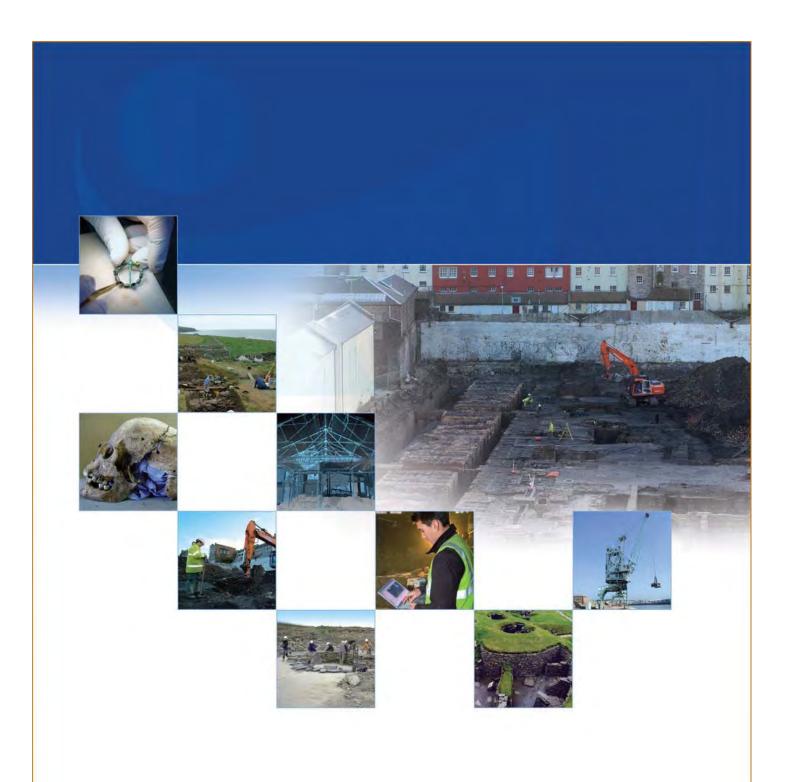
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