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Summary:

This report (HSM 35779) has been produced following survey work in the Malvern Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty woodland between 1999 and 2002.

The survey was undertaken during the winter months using a hand-held Global Positioning System (GPS) using satellites to locate the position of individual sites. Sites recorded related to woodland management features, field systems, quarrying, settlement and early land division.

Eighteen woods or areas of woodland were surveyed. These include Halesend and Norrest Wood to the north of Storridge, to Coneygree Wood which lies to the south of Ledbury.

These surveys have provided a huge amount of information concerning the development of woodlands in eastern Herefordshire. It is now clear that Herefordshire woodlands have expanded and contracted throughout history, sometimes being clear-felled and made into field systems and on others being intensively coppiced for the production of charcoal.

Sites recorded include a possible Bronze Age Barrow, a possible Romano-british furnace site, post Roman land divisions and early settlement sites. A considerable amount of ridge and furrow, strip lyncheting and field banks were recorded preserved under later woodland management features.

Features relating to the layout and utilisation of woodlands were recorded indicating the intensive, almost industrial management during the late and post-medieval periods.

Note: It should not be assumed that land referred to in this document is accessible to the public. Location plans are indicative only. NGRs are accurate to approximately 10m. Measured dimensions are accurate to within 1m at a scale of 1:500, 0.1m at 1:50, and 0.02m at 1:20.

Figure 1 contains material from the Ordnance Survey. The grid in this material is the National Grid taken from the Ordnance Survey map with the permission of the Controller of Her Majesty's Stationery Office. This material has been reproduced in order to locate the site in its environs.

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Introduction

The AONB covers 105 sq. km and lies within Worcestershire, Herefordshire and Gloucestershire. The Malvern Hills area is dominated by its dramatic high ridge of precambrian rocks, but its topographical and scenic diversity is provided by the complex pattern of younger rocks including shales, limestones, and sandstones that surround this core.

The AONB takes in much of this encircling complex, and its land use both today and historically reflects the environmental diversity. This has given rise to a complex and subtle archaeology that is paradoxically, little explored. The topography of the area of the Malvern Hills AONB within Herefordshire is characterised by a series of roughly north / south orientated limestone ridges with a woodland zone between 100m and 225m above sea level. The ridges are predominantly more gently sloping on their western side

Changes in the nature and intensity of land-use and increasing visitor numbers on the more prominent areas is bringing this archaeological resource under pressure, in some places for the first time. To improve management of the archaeology of the area, it is essential to know more about it. This is the immediate motivation for both extensive and intensive archaeological survey, as a means to define and understand something of the disposition of remains, at least as visible at ground surface or from the air.

Fieldwork initially comprised three principal elements:

1. Detailed earthwork survey, (by the Archaeological Survey Division of English Heritage), of the six Scheduled Ancient Monuments within the AONB.
2. Aerial reconnaissance survey and mapping. This was designed to identify and to clarify soilmark, grassmark and cropmark sites visible only from the air in areas under contemporary farmed grassland or arable. Sites identified were subsequently mapped to modern standards of photographic transcription, and be selectively ground checked.
3. Ground reconnaissance and mapping. In Herefordshire, woodland areas were surveyed systematically (but not necessarily intensively) to augment the aerial work. Features were recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS), accurate to between 5 and 10m. These results were entered into a Geographical Information System (GIS), and field notes transcribed to form the basis of this report.

Scope

The purpose of this survey was to locate features within woodland that are not recordable by aerial photography. With the exception of large quarries and lime kilns very few sites of archaeological significance have been recorded on the Sites and Monuments Record for the county. This is principally due to the rough terrain, dense ground cover and general inaccessibility.

The survey involved a rapid walkover of areas of woodland recording earthworks or other upstanding features of archaeological significance. A number of these features

recorded continued outside the area currently under woodland either as earthworks or crop / soil marks, tying sites together and providing considerable additional detail concerning the extent of previously recorded sites.

Types of Site:

The identification of features under woodland is often problematical due to variable visibility, erosion and the multitude site types and the often subtle variations between them. The use of some features recorded during this type of survey are impossible to identify without further, more detailed investigation. Phasing is also problematical unless relationships between certain features can be established. Therefore the periods allocated to most features recorded are very broad brush e.g. all charcoal burning platforms have been recorded as Post-medieval.

Platforms

During the course of the survey a number of platforms were identified. These included circular, charcoal burning platforms, triangular and rectangular building platforms and rectangular platforms of unknown use. Where a platform can be directly related to a water source, (spring or stream) or is enclosed by a boundary, or is adjacent to a field system, it has been recorded as a building platform. Many platforms were probably used to stack or store wood / charcoal, prior to or post processing. Particularly on the steeper slopes.

Linear Boundaries

These include a wide range of features from woodland boundary banks and compartment boundaries to land divisions and field banks. Where woodland boundary banks do not enclose areas of ridge and furrow, lynchets or other types of field system they have been recorded as medieval. Dating by scale of earthwork has also been considered therefore the wider the bank, (and ditch(es)), the earlier the period designated.

Field Systems

These take the form of areas of ridge and furrow, strip lynchets or field banks / lynchets and range in size from very localised areas of cultivation / enclosure to complex, landscape scale systems. For the purposes of this report all ridge and furrow and series of lynchets have been recorded as medieval.

Settlement

Evidence for settlement varies widely from extant brick and masonry remains to very subtle earthworks. Groups of platforms in sheltered locations and / or close to water sources have been recorded as settlement. These are predominantly rectangular or triangular in shape and vary in size considerably. The majority of settlement or building platforms recorded during this survey have been given a post-medieval date unless other factors suggest alternative dating.

Woodland Management Features

These include woodland boundary banks, compartment boundaries, charcoal burning platforms and saw pits. With the exception of some woodland boundary banks the majority of woodland management features have been ascribed a post-medieval date.

Industrial Features

These include quarries and lime-kilns and been given a post-medieval date range.

Communication Routes

These are principally holloways or embanked trackways. These have either been given medieval or post-medieval dates depending on their relationships with other features within the woodland.

Method

The survey comprised a rapid reconnaissance walk over of eighteen areas of woodland within the Malvern Hills AONB, in order to locate and identify archaeological features, comment on their preservation and assess their significance. Features were mapped using a hand-held 'Garmin 12 XL' or a 'SILVA Multi-Navigator' Global Positioning by Satellite instrument, enabling a ten figure grid reference to be recorded for each feature. This system is accurate to within approximately 5-10m even under dense tree canopy.

Each are of woodland was surveyed in one day or less depending on its size and accessibility. The same staff member was used to survey each area of woodland to ensure consistency of results and terminology.

It is necessary for this type of survey to be undertaken in the winter months when foliage is light, usually after December and through to April. Ideally, it should be carried out during or soon after a cold spell as this helps flatten long grass and old bracken, making the identification of earthwork features easier.

The survey areas were walked in transects approximately 50m to 100m apart. If a large feature was encountered and no other features of archaeological significance could be seen, then this feature was followed and features 50m either side of it recorded. All areas of a wood were entered if only to record inaccessibility due to ground cover etc. Field observations and grid references were recorded on a dictaphone and transcribed at a later date. The transcriptions were used as a basis for the database and synthesis in this report. Grid references were transcribed into Herefordshire Council's Geographical Information System, (GIS).

The following survey should not be taken as exhaustive or its results as entirely definitive. The level of survey carried out is intended to record the character of features present, their state of preservation and their relationships to other features within the survey area. More detailed survey would produce more precise documentation, and, no doubt, further features. However it is anticipated that the majority of principal earthwork and other features present have been recorded. As such, it is believed that the survey results will provide a useful basis for future management of the historic environment.

Progress of Series of Visits / Surveys.

Sites were surveyed as and when access became available. Whilst in survey terms December to April are the optimum months for woodland survey, access is often made difficult due to fieldsports. The woodlands included within this survey were

therefore surveyed as and when access was made available and were not surveyed in any particular order.

To date, at no time has Herefordshire Archaeology been denied access to any woodland within the Malvern Hills AONB. However it has not yet been possible to survey any woodland on the Eastnor Estate, to the south and east of Ledbury. Herefordshire Archaeology are continuing discussions with the Eastnor Estate and its Land Agents and permission for access is expected in either the 2003 or 2004 seasons.

With the exception of the Eastnor Estate all other large woods or areas of woodland are included within this report.

A Guide to the Report and Archive.

The survey data in this report has been arranged to run from north to south within the study area.

The recorded data from the survey is described in detail within the results section. This latter section is concluded by a brief discussion highlighting the historical development each woodland as understood using the survey results. The significance of recorded features and management implications are then commented upon within the discussion section. The Results Summary contains a simple database which cross references each site to the Ordnance Survey National Grid, (NGR), and the series of unique Sites and Monuments "Primary Record Numbers" (PRN), allocated following the transcription. These numbers are referred to within both the text and illustrations. They are prefixed by HSM, these initials relating to Herefordshire Sites and Monuments Record Number.

The Archaeology of Herefordshire Malverns Woodlands: An Overview.

This section of the report provides information concerning the significance of archaeological features when looked at in landscape terms together with the general state of preservation within a woodland environment and the potential for more detailed survey of particular features / areas in the future.

With the exception of localised areas, (i.e. the construction of access tracks and turning areas), the state of preservation of earthwork remains under woodland within the study area was found to be good. There appears to have been little 'industrial' scale forestry work with only three woods, (Mallins Wood, Oaken Coppice and Rough Hill Wood), containing evidence of modern disturbance over relatively large areas. The disturbance in these areas takes the form of stump pulling and levelling by machine.

The survey has recorded the complexities of woodland organisation, compartment boundaries, communication routes and other woodland management features. It has also illustrated the degree of contraction and expansion apparent in most woodland areas resulting in either boundary and feature loss as arable encroaches or boundary and field system preservation as woodlands expand and 'fossilise' previous land management features.

The number of areas of ridge and furrow, lynchet systems and other field systems preserved within areas of woodland suggest a time during the medieval period of woodland shrinkage followed by a period of rapid expansion suggesting that there was a period of increased arable production possibly only for a short period of time. Some of these systems cover large areas and a further, more detailed survey may record the more subtle complexities of layout and extent.

Features relating to past woodland management are unsurprisingly the most common sites encountered. This is partly due to the sheer number of compartment banks, ditches, woodland boundary banks, charcoal burning platforms, saw pits etc.

Field systems

Woodland Management

Linear boundaries

Results Summary

The following section contains a tabulated data-base for each wood or area of woodland surveyed. These include a brief description of each feature and relationships between features where noted.

Halesend Wood

SMR No.	Easting	Northing	Site Type	Period	Description
35780	73777	48659	Quarry	Post-medieval	12m deep and 30m square.
35781	73680	48843	Holloway	Medieval	3.5m wide with bank on its western side. Aligned north/south.
35782	73584	49069	Platform	Post-medieval	Rectangular platform 3m wide and 6m long
35783	73551	49110	Lynchet	Medieval	Series of two or possibly three lynchets immediately to the west of the wood.
35784	73507	49117	Quarry	Post-medieval	25m diameter and 8m deep.
35785	73527	49167	Bank	Post-medieval	1.5m wide and 0.3m high runs along crest of scarp and cut by quarry.
35786	73554	49230	Platform	post-medieval	5m square and next to bank 35785
35787	73769	48851	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	7m in diameter cut by modern track.
35788	73706	49027	Bank	Medieval	2.5m wide and 0.3m high runs w/sw downslope.
35789	73821	48731	Bank	Medieval	3.5m wide and 0.8m high aligned wsw / ese. Runs right over crest of hill.
35790	73860	44821	Bank	Medieval	Aligned North/south and c. 60m long. 0.6m high
35791	73829	48877	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	7m in diameter and facing east.
35792	73860	49244	Ridge & Furrow	Medieval	Aligned SW/NE, 3.5m from trough to trough. Covers whole of hill top.

35793	73886	49233	Lynchet	Medieval	Gently sloping but 4m high aligned with ridge and furrow.
35794	73959	49298	Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	Compartment boundary aligned E/W with ditch on northern side.
35795	74088	48991	Quarry	Post-medieval	Small scoop quarry 4m in diameter.
35796	74095	48986	Quarry	Post-medieval	5m long and 2.5m wide.
35797	74104	48938	Quarry	Post-medieval	3m diameter.
35798	73982	48714	Bank and ditch	Medieval	Ditch on NW side runs WSW and cut by garden. Bank 2m wide and 0.4m high.
35799	74142	48737	Bank and ditch	Medieval	Ditch on Northern side runs NW . Bank 2.5m and 0.4m high.
35800	74174	48671	Saw Pit	Post-medieval	4m long and 1.5m wide
35801	74186	48663	Quarry	Post-medieval	10m long and 6m wide , 2.5m deep.
35802	74195	48573	Lynchet	Medieval	Aligned NW/SE.
35803	74194	48556	Charcoal burning platform	post-medieval	Cuts lynchet.
35804	74192	48538	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	6m in diameter and well preserved.
35805	74197	48518	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	5m in diameter.
35806	74224	48498	Quarry	Post-medieval	8m in diameter and 2m deep.
35807	74257	48516	Quarry	Post-medieval	65m long, 20m wide and 3m deep.
35808	74245	48554	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	6.5m in diameter
35809	74238	48636	Bank	Medieval	Ridge top bank, 3m wide and 0.2m high.
35810	74227	48689	Platform	Post-medieval	4m long and 2.5m wide.
35811	74229	48687	Lynchet	Post-medieval	small lynchet runs off platform and runs NNW for c. 40m.
35812	74240	48753	Quarry	Post-medieval	15m wide 5m deep and 150m long.
35813	74255	48804	Quarry	Post-medieval	5m wide and 3m deep runs due north for 70m
35814	74239	48857	Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	Compartment boundary runs ENE with ditch on southern side. Runs straight over the crest.
35815	74228	49029	Platform	Post-medieval	Rectangular but with a curved eastern end. 12m long and 7m wide. Associated with small quarry
35816	74171	49126	Ridge & Furrow	Medieval	Extensive area of ridge and furrow aligned SW/NE with 3.5m wide ridges
35817	74160	49127	Quarry	Post-medieval	cuts ridge and furrow and runs south for 40m
35818	74138	49119	Ridge & Furrow	Medieval	Aligned NW/SE. attaches to that previously recorded.
35819	74114	49013	Lynchet	Medieval	Aligned NW/SE and is 70m long.
35820	74039	49144	Holloway	Medieval	1.5m deep with a low bank on either side, runs to the NNE
35821	73875	49090	Lynchet	Medieval	1m high runs due east for c. 30m.
35822	73882	49000	Lynchet	Medieval	0.75m high runs WSW for 40m.
35823	73835	48614	Bank	Post-	Compartment bank, curves from SSE to south

35824	73892	48607 Bank	medieval	and is 0.4m high and 2m wide.
35825	73892	48587 Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Compartment bank, curves from SSE to east and is 0.3m high and 2m wide.
35826	73991	48551 Woodland boundary bank	Post-medieval	7m in diameter, facing north. Built onto compartment bank.
35827	73848	48570 Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	2.5m wide and 0.6m high with a ditch on either side.
35828	73909	48454 Lynchet	Medieval	well preserved, 6m in diameter.
35829	73843	48458 Bank	Post-medieval	Series of three lynchets immediately to the south of the wood. The top one forming the present woodland boundary.
35830	73938	49480 Quarry	Post-medieval	Compartment bank, 3m wide with ditch on NW side. Aligned SW/NE and is 70m long.
35830	73962	49500 Lynchet	Medieval	20m long and 10m wide and 3m deep, spoil to its west.
35831	73970	49510 Ridge & Furrow	Medieval	well defined 1.3m high aligned north/south with ridge and furrow on its eastern side.
35832	73919	49598 Saw Pit	Post-medieval	3 ridges visible aligned north south.
35833	73904	49661 Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	3m long 1m wide and 0.5m deep.
35834	73894	49680 Saw Pit	Post-medieval	8m in diameter and facing west
35835	73877	49699 Lynchet	Medieval	3.5m long, 1.5m wide and 0.75m deep.
35836	73857	49699 Lynchet	Medieval	1.5m high aligned N/S and over 100m long.
35837	73852	49777 Ridge & Furrow	Medieval	1.5m high aligned N/S and over 100m long.
35838	73852	49848 Charcoal burning platform	Medieval	small area of ridge and furrow c. 3m wide between ridges. Aligned N/S.
35839	73849	49848 Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	7m in diameter.
35840	73812	49909 Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Ditch on eastern side 3m wide and runs N/S for over 100m in each direction.
35841	73781	50055 Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	5m in diameter.
35842	73767	50095 Ridge & Furrow	Medieval	Compartment bank runs ESE for 20m and WNW for 80m
35843	73779	50349 Quarry	Post-medieval	Large area of ridge and furrow aligned north/south run for over 100m.
35844	73679	50439 Lynchet	Medieval	5m long and 2.5m wide.
35845	73605	50527 Ridge & Furrow	Medieval	runs NNW for over 100m
35846	73700	50598 Quarry	Post-medieval	Runs NNW
35847	73591	50467 Bank	Post-medieval	cuts ridge and furrow 80m long, 25m wide and 15m deep.
35848	73782	50475 Ridge & Furrow	Medieval	very eroded 3.5m wide runs NW and SE
35849	73816	50373 Quarry	Post-medieval	Aligned N/S along western slope.
35850	73831	50308 Quarry	Post-	series of 3m diameter scoops into ridge top.
				linear quarry 30m long, 5m wide and 2m deep.

35851	73839	50282 Quarry	medieval Post-medieval	6m square and 1.5m deep.
35852	73835	50282 Quarry	Post-medieval	35m long and 8m wide.
35853	73852	50256 Domestic activity	Post-medieval	large quantities of salt glazed pottery. No platforms visible.
35854	73852	50195 Quarry	Post-medieval	cuts ridge top 35m long and 4m deep.
35855	73845	50195 Ridge & Furrow	Medieval	Aligned N/S along western slope.
35856	73861	50123 Quarry	post-medieval	20m square and 4m deep.
	73990	49598 Ridge & Furrow	Medieval	large area of ridge and furrow aligned north/south run for over 100m.
	74003	49583 Lynchet	Medieval	Aligned east/west with ridge and furrow to its north. Southern boundary of field system?
	74042	49442 Charcoal burning platform	post-medieval	6.5m in diameter
	74095	49293 Quarry	Post-medieval	Runs south for 70m
	74106	49272 Lynchet	Medieval	Runs SSW for 30m. South of this is ridge and furrow.
	74100	49260 Ridge & Furrow	Medieval	large area of ridge and furrow aligned north/south run for over 100m.
	74151	49131 Lynchet	Medieval	Enhanced natural fold running SSE 2m high.
	74224	48849 Quarry	Post-medieval	runs NNW for over 100m
	74252	48844 Quarry	Post-medieval	4m wide 3m deep and runs south for 90m
	74293	48800 Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	Compartment boundary runs to the WSW for 60m and ESE for 80m
	74314	48657 Quarry	Post-medieval	15m deep, 15m wide and 80m long runs SSW from this point.
	74305	48740 Quarry	Post-medieval	Whole of the SE corner of the wood is cut by quarrying.
	74356	48794 Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	5m in diameter, facing WNW.
	74365	48817 Platform	Post-medieval	Triangular platform 5m long and 3.5m wide
	74367	48820 Platform	Post-medieval	Triangular platform 5m long and 3.5m wide
	74246	49005 Quarry	Post-medieval	8m wide, 4m deep and runs south for 25m.
	74250	49115 Bank	Post-medieval	Compartment boundary runs SW for 40m and NE for 10m. Ditch to north bank 1.5m wide.
	74193	49332 Lynchet	Medieval	Runs NE for 15m and SW for 30, faces north.
	74164	49355 Building?	Post-medieval	Stone and brick rubble depression in the centre of an 8m diameter mound.
	74136	49446 Bank	Post-medieval	Compartment boundary, runs SSW for 25m before turning to run ESE for 70m.
	74111	49486 Lynchet	Medieval	Series of 3 lynchets aligned NNW each is 0.5m high and 4m wide.
	74110	49576 Bank	Post-medieval	Compartment boundary, 1.5m wide, runs south for 200m.
	74105	49663 Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	7m in diameter and facing east.
	74071	49743 Bank	Post-	Compartment boundary 1m high, aligned SE/NW.

73998	49743	Charcoal burning platform	medieval Post-medieval	7m in diameter, facing east.
73965	49896	Saw Pit	Post-medieval	3.5m long, 1.5m wide and 0.75m deep.
73960	49912	Platform	Post-medieval	8m long and 5m wide.
73939	50037	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	6m in diameter and well preserved.
73898	50141	Quarry	Post-medieval	Series of small scoops
73863	50206	Quarry	post-medieval	30m long and 20m wide, 3m deep.
73825	49692	Woodland boundary bank	Medieval	3.5m wide and 0.5m high with a ditch 3m wide on its eastern side. Runs ENE before curving to the NE.

***Bears Wood
Coppice***

SMR No.	Easting	Northing	Site Type	Period	Description
73590	49346	49346	Woodland boundary bank	Medieval	3m wide with a ditch on both sides. Runs WSW for 80m
73609	49357	49357	Quarry	Post-medieval	10m diameter cuts wood bank.
73616	49378	49378	Hedge Bank	Post-medieval	Separates common from wood. Runs along top of eastern scarp. 1.5m wide and 0.45m high.
73542	49788	49788	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	8m in diameter, poorly preserved.
73526	49805	49805	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	7m in diameter.
73527	49819	49819	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	6m in diameter.
73593	49735	49735	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Cut into wood bank, 5m in diameter.
73632	49645	49645	Hedge Bank	Post-medieval	Runs across valley from Halesend Wood. 2.5m wide with ditch on either side runs into bears wood for 15m.
73638	49622	49622	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	6m in diameter and just inside the wood facing east.
73625	49622	49622	Platform	Post-medieval	10m long and 6m wide.

Norest Wood

SMR No.	Easting	Northing	Site type	Period	Description
75268	50109	50109	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned east-west, 1m deep, cuts the woodbank, has water running through it. Extends into a boggy area.

75272	50145	Compartment boundary	Post-medieval	Aligned north-south, 1m wide ditch on eastern side extends to the north for over 100m, extends south for 15m. At this location it intersect with compartment boundary aligned east-west.
75256	50292	Compartment boundary	Post-medieval	Continuation to the north
75232	50362	Compartment boundary	Post-medieval	Continuation. It meets and becomes part of a bank 75318 50454.
75318	50454	Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	Aligned north/west-south/east, bank 1.50m wide with a ditch on the south side.
75416	50402	Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	Continuation, now aligned east-west
75411	50409	Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	Continuation, extends to the east. At this point the ditch is 2.50m wide and the bank is barely visible.
75447	50306	Quarry	Post-medieval	Rectangular, 25m x 15m x 5m deep, aligned east-west.
75473	50347	Quarry	Post-medieval	8m diameter.
75497	50243	Quarry	Post-medieval	20m diameter, cuts across wood edge. From this point several linear quarries or holloways extend to the south.
75481	50282	Holloway?	Post-medieval	Continuation of the above linear feature (75497 50243) to the south. 1.50m deep, and located 20m inside the wood A second similar feature is parallel to this.
75481	50282	Holloway?	Post-medieval	Similar too and parallel with 75481 50282. Located 10m inside the wood.
75481	50282	Holloway?	Post-medieval	Continuation of the Holloway? 20m inside the wood (75481 50282).
75451	50261	Holloway?	Post-medieval	Continuation of Holloway? 75268 50209.
75447	50237	Ditch	Post-medieval	Aligned east-west, extends 80m from the eastern wood boundary, cut by holloway? 75268 50209 at this point
75424	50172	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned east-west, parallel with holloway? 75268 50209.
75424	50172	Lynchet	Post-medieval	Extends northwest from holloway 75424 50172.
75360	50191	Holloway?	Post-medieval	Continuation of holloway? 75268 50209. Eastern bank at this point is 5m wide, 1.50m high with a flat top, the ditch is 5m wide, 1.50m deep, both are very regular in form
75358	50178	Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	Aligned east-west, bank is 1.50m wide, ditch on north side, extends east for over 30m. At this point it cuts a holloway? 75268 50209.
75331	50028	Bank	Post-medieval	Extends eastwards from this location for up to 12m to the edge of the wood, then continues to the north-east for more than 200m as a woodbank, parallel with a holloway (75331 50028). At this location a lime tree marks the termination of the bank.
75331	50028	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned northeast to southwest, 2m wide, 5m deep. Parallel with woodbank (75331 50028).
75338	50035	Quarry	Post-medieval	Linear, north to south, 20m long, 8m wide.

Limekiln Coppice

SMR No.	Easting	Northing	Site type	Period	Description
	75702	49448	Quarry	Post-medieval	80m long x 40m wide x 10m deep.

75754	49499 Lynchet	Post-medieval	Aligned east-west, heads 150m west to the quarry, then forms a boundary for spoil heaps associated with the quarry.
75754	49508 Platform	Post-medieval	12m diameter cut by quarry in the south and east.
75754	49508 Holloway	Post-medieval	Holloway extends from north edge of the previous platform. 5.5m wide x 2m deep.
75728	49507 Holloway	Post-medieval	Continuation
75685	49583 Holloway	Post-medieval	Continuation
75685	49583 Quarry	Post-medieval	Linear, east of holloway.
75698	49481 Causeway	Post-medieval	This replaces the previous holloway destroyed by quarrying, the causeway is constructed with spoil from the quarry. 2.50m high, extends to the northwest 40m.
75679	49473 Lynchet	Medieval?	Aligned north-south, extends 80m where it is cut by a quarry, continues on the other side of the quarry. Extends from lynchet 75754 49499.
75649	49654 Quarry	Post-medieval	Linear, 1.50m deep, extends for 80m.
75664	49690 Track	Post-medieval	Cuts quarry at this point and continues to the east. Area is covered with spoil heaps.
75657	49698 Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	Aligned north-south. Ditch and banm are both 1m wide. Five lime trees are atop the boundary which suggests antiquity. Continues in use as a modern boundary.
75635	49714 Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	Continuation. At this point it is covered by a large spoil heap. At this point the bank is over 1m high x 2m wide.
75602	49707 Trackway	Post-medieval	Extends along top of ridge, 6m wide, cut down 1.50m and at this position there are four coppiced lime trees on its eastern bank.
75580	49713 Quarry	Post-medieval	Continuation of 75649 49654. At this point there is a break of 40m in the quarry as the ridge extends across it.
75592	49638 Quarry	Post-medieval	Linear, extends to the southeast 200m, to the northwest 50m. It is 80m wide.
75530	49705 Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	5m diameter
75467	49756 Trackway	Post-medieval	Cuts quarry 75592 49638. Aligned north-south along the ridge. Extends for 15m then cut by further quarrying.
75392	49789 Trackway	Post-medieval	Continuation. Changes alignment to the north/east and extends 80m to the edge of the wood.
75375	49853 Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	Aligned along the contour of the slope. The bank is 0.20 high x 1m wide. The ditch on the east side is 1m wide and extends south for 40m, extends north to the edge of the wood where it is covered by a modern spoil heap.
75344	49885 Bank	Post-medieval	Aligned north-south along the crest of the hill. Extends 20m to the south where it is cut by quarrying extends to the north as hedge line with lime trees.
75601	49796 Lynchet?	Medieval ?	Extends for 100m, 8m high, may also be a natural feature or an ancient quarry.
76599	49763 Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	8m diameter, faces east, well preserved.

75848	49549	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Aligned north-south along east side of wood, to the north it is eroded by Worcester Way footpath. Extends 100m to the south. Bank 1.50m high with a ditch on the east side.
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Malins Wood

75037	49394	Woodland Boundary bank	Post-medieval	1.2m wide and 0.4m high, ditch to is west aligned roughly N/ S.
75042	49387	Bank	Medieval	1m high and 3m wide with a ditch on eastern side runs north.
75001	49341			continues out of southern edge of the wood but has almost been ploughed out.
75037	49420			continues to run north, ditch is now 3.5m wide.
75040	49477			turns to the north east.
75056	49458			covered by modern dumping and disturbance.
75108	49553			continues
75117	49713	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	5m in diameter cut into western side of bank
75098	49776	Enclosure	Medieval	Built onto bank
75065	49722	Woodland Boundary bank	Post-medieval	runs west on northern boundary of wood.
74966	49758	Platform	Post-medieval	Triangular, 8m long and 6m wide.
75004	49639	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	facing West
75009	49550	Ditch	Post-medieval	1.5m wide runs NW for 40m
74991	49560	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	Cut by modern track.
74966	49546	Bank	Post-medieval	1m wide and 0.4m high
74960	49514			continues to run south
75001	49501	Saw Pit	Post-medieval	
74975	49443	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	7m in diameter.
74805	49386	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	facing north.
74719	49510	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74654	49551	Bank	Post-medieval	1.2m wide and 0.4m high, runs west on break of slope of north facing side of side valley.
74582	49656	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74566	49675	Ditch	Post-medieval	2m wide runs to NE
74543	49713			fords a small stream
74543	49735			ends
74508	49758	Charcoal burning	Post-medieval	

74486	49790	Platform Charcoal burning Platform	Post- medieval	Cuts an area of ridge and furrow
74489	49790	Ridge & Furrow	Medieval	Runs NE each ridge is 3m wide and 0.4m high.
74483	49981			The northernmost ridge runs under the northern woodland boundary bank.
74532	49891	Charcoal burning Platform	Post- medieval	7m in diameter.
74534	49875	Ridge & Furrow	Post- medieval	Aligned NE / SW 10 ridges each 2m wide.
74572	49804			southern edge of ridge and furrow.
74595	49777	Ridge & Furrow	Medieval	Aligned NE / SW ridges each 3m wide.

Oaken Coppice

SMR No.	Easting	Northing	Site type	Period	Description
	74965	49187	Quarry	Post- medieval	Linear, Aligned northeast-southwest, 8m wide, < 3.50m deep, extends down slope to road. The feature extends under modern track and enters field to the north of Oaken Coppice.
	74929	49149	Quarry	Post- medieval	Continuation. Banked on either side at this point.
	74907	49140	Quarry	Post- medieval	Continuation. Southwest end.
	74914	49088	Lynchet	Medieval?	Aligned north-south, extends 13m down slope to the edge of the wood, extends 80m up slope.
	74902	49058	Lynchet	Medieval?	Continuation. Located at the edge of the wood.
	74931	49018	Charcoal burning platform	Post- medieval	8m diameter, facing south
	74943	48964	Woodbank	Post- medieval	Bank <4m wide, 0.75m high, ditch 3m wide, feature extends for 20m, ditch continues for more than 50m.
	75049	49156	Woodbank	Post- medieval	Continuation. Bank 2m wide, 0.50m high, turns to the east at this point. This is parallel with the holloway below.
	75088	49182	Woodbank	Post- medieval	Continuation.
	74979	48952	Holloway	Post- medieval	Aligned east-west, 0.50m deep
	75005	48959	Holloway	Post- medieval	Continuation. At this position it turns to the north east and is lost under a track.
	75088	49182	Pond	Post- medieval	30m northeast of this location is a 20m diameter pond. This is encircled by a slight raised bank.
	75084	49813	Bank	Post- medieval	Aligned east-west, 2m wide, 0.3m high, extends 20m to
	75092	49175	Bank	Post- medieval	Continuation. Followed by a modern boundary at this point.
	75135	49019	Spoil heap	Modern	Pile of earth, tree trunks and roots.
	75207	48981	Holloway	Post- medieval	Aligned north-south, 6m wide x 1m deep. At this location the holloway splits, a second track extends to the west along the northern boundary of the wood.
	75207	49001	Charcoal burning	Post- medieval	10m diameter, facing south.

		platform			
75217	49030	Ditch	Post-medieval	5m wide x 1m deep, aligned east-west, joins holloway above, extends eastwards for over 100m.	
75282	48988	Lynchet	Medieval?	Aligned north-south, 1m high, extends south for over 50m, north for over 40m.	
75295	49017	Lynchet	Medieval?	Terminates at this location.	
75292	49043	Lynchet	Medieval?	Parallel to previous lynchet, 15m down slope, extends 10m north, 60m to the south.	
75327	49061	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Eastern boundary, with a drop on the east side of 0.50m.	
75335	49023	Bank	Post-medieval	Aligned southwest-northeast, 4m wide x 0.75m high, extends 40m up slope and down slope from this location.	
75436	49005	Bank	Post-medieval	Continuation. At this position a coppiced lime tree grows and 5m to the west a second coppiced lime grows. The stools of both are 1.25m diameter.	
75357	48993	Bank	Post-medieval	Continuation. At this position the bank turns to the south and extends to the edge of the wood.	
75384	49012	Bank	Post-medieval	Continuation. Two coppiced lime trees grow on the bank.	
75388	49019	Lynchet	Medieval?	Less than 1m high, extends from this position to the above bank.	
75335	48889	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	6m diameter, cut into woodbank, truncated by a modern track.	
75345	48862	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Continuation of previous woodbank. At this location a large coppiced lime tree is situated on the woodbank.	
75311	48820	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continuation of holloway located at 75207 48981. extends 12m to the edge of the woods.	
75250	48815	Lynchet	Post-medieval	Aligned north-south, 1.50m high, extends north for over 100m to the hillcrest, extends south 20m to the woodbank.	
75105	48800	Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	Aligned north-south, parallel with the lynchet. Bank is up to 5m wide, ditch on the east side. Extends 30m south to the edge of the wood and over 50m north. Possible shallow ditch on the west side that may be associated with the woodbank. Continues as far as 75160 48838.	
75160	48838	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continuation of 75217 49030. Cuts woodbank at 75137 48848. C.6m wide x 1.80m deep. mid point located at 75147 48936.	
75161	48946	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	6m diameter.	
75177	48866	Lynchet	Post-medieval	Aligned north-south. Visible to the north for 70m.	

Whitmans Hill Coppice, Stocking Coppice and Ten Acre Coppice

SMR No.	Easting	Northing	Site type	Period	Description
74666	48320	48320	Woodbank	Post-medieval	3.50m wide with 1m wide ditch on the west side, both are overlain by modern quarry spoil heaps.
74638	48312	48312	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Continuation. Ditch turns a right angle to the southwest but the bank stops at this point.
74655	48280	48280	Quarry	Post-medieval	Cut into hillside and cuts a lynchet (see below).

74655	48280	Lynchet	Post-medieval	Cut by quarry (see above). Large yew tree on bank.
74660	48274	Compartment boundary	Post-medieval	On top off and following the course of the lynchet 74655 48280. This is covered by spoil from a modern quarry.
74665	48182	Compartment boundary	Post-medieval	Continuation. Follows top of lynchet, at this point it is 1.50m high.
74686	48218	Lynchet	Post-medieval	Continuation of lynchet 74655 48280.
74686	48218	Wood bank	Post-medieval	Bank and ditch extending uphill from lynchet. Bank is 2m wide and 0.50m high. Compartment boundary 74660 48274 turns to follow this bank on its northern side.
74784	48237	Compartment boundary	Post-medieval	Continuation of 74660 48274, cut by modern trackway
74784	48236	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	5m diameter, pronounced lip on downslope side, cut into ridge.
74836	48217	Lynchet	Post-medieval	Parallel with the ridge, cut into the hill slope, truncated at this point by a modern quarry.
74856	48213	Lynchet	Post-medieval	Continuation, aligned west, extending down slope.
74856	48192	Lynchet	Post-medieval	Ends at this point.
74814	48169	Lynchet	Post-medieval	Aligned along the slope of contour with a ditch on the downslope side.
74814	48169	Ridge and furrow	Medieval?	Aligned diagonally across contours of slope, each ridge is 3m wide and up to .25m high. Located on the upslope side of lynchet 7814 48169.
74842	48144	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	5m diameter, square cut into slope, pronounced lip on downslope side, crescent shaped spoil heap.
74883	48264	Ridge and furrow	Medieval?	Continuation, now aligned with the contour of the slope.
74864	48140	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	5m diameter, cut into the ridge and furrow 74842 48144.
74868	48145	Lynchet	Post-medieval	Aligned with the contours of the slope.
74909	48156	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Cut into ridge and furrow, 74842 48144.
74920	48149	Lynchet	Post-medieval	Aligned with contour of the slope, 1.50m high, enclosing the ridge and furrow, 74842 48144. Extends north for over 50m and south for over 100m.
74941	48066	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Cuts into lynchet 74868 48145.
74936	48056	Lynchet	Post-medieval	Continuation of lynchet 74768 48145, covered by spoil from recent ploughing, a bridleway and the construction of a field boundary.
74947	48093	Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	Extends upslope, 3m wide x 1m deep with a bank on the north side 1m high. Could also be a holloway or a precursor to a bridleway.
74989	48113	Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	Continuation towards the crest of the hill.
75003	48172	Bank	Post-medieval	Aligned along the top of ridge. 3.50m wide x 1.50m high.

75073	48157 Quarry	Post-medieval	Immediately south of Bank 75003 48172.
75104	48029 Quarry	Post-medieval	5m diameter, 2.50m deep, surrounded by spoil.
75076	47972 Charcoal burning platform?	Post-medieval	Indistinct.
75042	47987 Ridge and furrow	Medieval?	Aligned east-west up and down slope, the ridges are 2.50m wide x 0.20m high.
75038	47978 Bank	Post-medieval	Parallel with ridge and furrow 75042 47987, extends to the west of the wood into pasture. The bank marks the southern boundary of the ridge and furrow.
75060	47986 Quarry	Post-medieval	Circular, 5m dia, 1m deep, surrounded by spoil.
75107	47994 Charcoal burning platform?	Post-medieval	Levelled platform, 8m up slope from previous quarry.
75122	47918 Ridge and furrow	Medieval	Aligned at an angle to contours, ridges 2.5m wide, 0.15m high
75187	48006 Bank	Medieval	Aligned along ridge top, eastern boundary of area of ridge and furrow.
75271	47868 Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	On west side of ridge, bank 1.5m wide, 0.75m high from base of ditch, ditch on west side
75266	47840 Charcoal burning platform?	Post-medieval	Levelled area, cut into bank, which serves as eastern (up slope) boundary.
75415	47538 Bank	Medieval	2nd position of bank (75187, 48006), 1.8m high, 4m wide, covered by yew trees.
75385	47403 Holloway	Post-medieval	Extends from quarry (75060, 47986) down west side of slope towards Upper Vinesend Farm, 3m wide, slight bank on both sides, continues over ridge, down east side of hill across slope to Gateley Farm.
75502	47530 Holloway	Post-medieval	2nd position at edge of wood, holloway continues through fields towards Gateley Farm.
75502	47530 Woodbank	Post-medieval	Aligned north-south.
75500	47550 Lynchet	Medieval	Aligned north-south, meets holloway (75385, 47403) at south end of lynchet, does not continue further, 1.3m high, cut into hill slope.
75455	47563 Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Levelled area, 10m up slope of lynchet (75500, 47550).
75439	47689 Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Levelled area, just within wood, constructed on lynchet (75500, 47550).
75438	47698 Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Levelled area, constructed on woodbank (75502, 47530).
75437	47703 Lynchet	Post-medieval	Ditch, 1m wide and 0.3m deep
75422	47676 Charcoal burning platform?	Post-medieval	Within a trackway or holloway. Runs diagonally up to ridge to the south. In addition, it runs down-slope from this point but peters out before reaching the current woodland edge current
75384	47752 Charcoal burning platform	Post-Medieval?	A very good charcoal burning platform.
75386	47786 Woodland bank	Post-medieval	Ditch on its eastern side which curves to the south c.5m inside the present wood. In addition,

75369	47812	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	it seems to run for c.120m. before meeting the current woodland boundary. On top of the woodland bank facing east.
75315	47854	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Situated halfway up the slope.
75331	47900	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	On same contour as previous. There is another c.20m above this.
75324	47911	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	c.20m inside the woodland boundary.
75327	47961	Charcoal burning platform.	Post-medieval	10m due east of this point the woodland boundary is met by a holloway with a bank on its down-slope side.
75337	47972	Holloway	Post-medieval	There is a junction at this holloway. This is only c.10m inside the wood. In addition, there is a trackway. This forms a lynchet running c.20m inside the wood in a northerly direction.
75336	47989	Small charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Approximately 10m due west 75336 47989. This cut into the hillside. This between the holloway which is gradually running up-slope in a northerly direction. A lynchet track curves to the north.
75367	48032	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Top of the track and cuts into hill-slope. Trackway continues to the corner of the present woodland and heads straight for Whitmans Hill Farm.
75322	48064	Lynchet trackway	Medieval	The trackway meets a holloway, which runs up, into the woods in a north-westerly direction. This follows the field boundary to the south-east onto Colwall/Gately road.
75295	48069	Holloway	Post-medieval	c.2m deep at the down-slope (eastern) side. Continues in a north-westerly direction.
75075	48101	Holloway	Post-medieval	Reaches the ridge-top close to the previously recorded ridge and furrow on the western side. This may well continue down the western side- there is a much smaller ditch which may be the holloway that has been filled in when the field due south was cleared.
75049	48199	Small quarry	Medieval?	This is just above Whitman Hill Farm. This is c.10m long and 5m. wide with a max. depth of c.2.5m. To the north is a series of workings running along the woodland boundary.
74992	48259	Woodland compartment boundary bank	Post-medieval	There is a ditch on its southern side. The bank is c.0.5m high and runs from the edge of the wood up to the ridge top in a straight line and cut by a small scale quarry workings. These continue to the north until they are truncated by the modern quarry.

Highgrove Wood

SMR No.	Easting	Northing	Site type	Period	Description
74825	46229	46229	Bank	Medieval?	This is a c.1m high, 2m wide with very large oaks and a pollarded large leaved lime on the top of it. It runs almost parallel to track towards Highgrove Wood, in a south-westerly direction. There is a c.1.5m wide ditch on the uphill side

				and c.0.5m deep.
74705	46223	Woodland boundary bank	Medieval?	Met by previous bank
74700	46248	Lynchet	Medieval	1m high runs SW for over 60m continues out of wood.
74690	46336	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	4m diameter
74696	46340	Woodland boundary bank	Medieval	Splits, ditch continues into lightly wooded part of field, bank runs into wood.
74694	46362		Medieval	Continues
74702	46378	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Poorly preserved
74695	46420	Woodland boundary bank	Medieval	Continues and turns to SW
74737	46499	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Fair
74774	46535	Compartment bank	Post-medieval	1.5m wide and 0.75m high with 2m wide ditch on NW side.
74829	46639		Post-medieval	continues
74843	46646	Bank	Post-medieval	3m wide and 1m high. Row of large oaks. These seem to be coppiced at one time. They may be 250 years old. The bank runs parallel to present edge of woodland but inside present woodland boundary.
74879	46660	Bank	Post-medieval	Turns through 90 degrees & runs due south for 10m until it hits present wood edge. It is met by a similar bank which has a ditch on its inside (north). It follows the edge of the present woodland, running in an easterly direction. This bank is c. 1.5m wide & 0.5 high.
74933	46689	Boundary bank	Medieval?	Hits the crest of the hill. The crest is very narrow with no sign of a crest top bank but the eastern side of the crest seems to have been scarped to create a ditch running along its length in a southerly direction.
74934	46692	Ditch	Post-medieval	2m wide & 1m deep ditch. Runs across the ridge top on line with the Parish boundary. Continues straight down the other side of the hill & has a bank on the southern side which at the ridge top is 0.75m high & 3m wide. From the corner of Highgrove Wood & above Bank Farm and parallel to the present edge of the wood there is a bank for a woodland boundary. This is 1m wide and 1m high & has a ditch on its southern side.
75054	46547	Woodland bank		This feature cut or breaks to let through a ditch, which runs through the woodland in a northerly direction. It continues for over 75m into the woods It is c. 1.5m high.
75031	46596	Ditch	Medieval?	Interrupts the woodland boundary. Runs in a north westerly direction, diagonally up-slope. It is 2.5m wide & 0.3m deep. 3.m to the south-east is a small lynchet. Runs almost due north-westerly direction.
75017	46653	Ditch	Post-medieval	10m long (following the contour) and 5m wide.

75005	46643	Natural Lynchet	Post- medieval	1m high and continues to run in a northerly direction. It continues from this point for c. 50m before petering out as the slope gets steeper.
75043	46699	Large ditch and bank	Post- medieval	Both are cut by a modern trackway. The ditch is 3m and 0.3m deep with a bank on its northern side. The bank is 3m wide running straight up towards the crest of the hill & straight down on the other side of the modern track.
75020	46737	The Parish boundary bank.	Post- medieval	This is larger than the last bank. There is a ditch on its northern side. This is 3m wide & 1m deep. The bank to the south is 3m wide and stands over 1m high from the base of the ditch. Both banks are approximately 20m apart.
75012	46733	Charcoal burning platform	Post- medieval	The northern edge of this platform cuts into the Parish boundary bank.
75003	46733	Charcoal burning platform	Post- medieval	This is 10m south of the parish boundary bank.
74989	46712	Charcoal burning platform	Post- medieval	There is a charcoal burning platform with another 12m up-slope from this location. Both are almost cutting the Parish Boundary.
74993	46742	Charcoal burning platform	Post- medieval	8m to the north of the parish boundary bank and ditch.
75022	46747	Charcoal burning platform	Post- medieval	3m to the north of the parish bank and ditch.
75036	46736	Lynchet	Post- medieval	1.5m high cut into the slope and runs at right-angles to the parish boundary in a southerly direction.
75949	46752	Charcoal burning platform or small quarry	Post- medieval	It is cut deep into the hill slope and may have out workings on the eastern side. This is 5m north of the parish bank.
75046	46759	Lynchet	Post- medieval	1m high running parallel to the first one. This runs out to the edge of the present wood.
75052	46762	2 charcoal burning platforms	Post- medieval	One is immediately above the other. Both are 5m north to the parish bank.
75106	46759	Lynchet	Post- medieval	The parish bank is met by a 3rd lynchet which runs parallel to the other two. The ditch associated with the parish boundary is constricted & is much sharper. This is 1.5m wide & 0.5m deep.
75124	46760	Woodland boundary bank	Medieval?	A smaller ditch cuts through the woodland boundary bank and is 3m inside the present woodland edge. The bank is 1.5m high.
75148	46795	Parish boundary bank	Medieval	This is cut by a modern trackway but also at point is met by a woodland bank 2.5m wide & 0.75 high. It runs in a north - westerly direction and still shown on the map as a boundary. The parish boundary bank continues within the woodland 3m inside the present woodland edge.
75227	46824	Parish Boundary	Medieval	There is a break in the woodland, c.50m wide with a footpath running across it. This is the eastern edge of Highgrove wood. The parish boundary continues as a lynchet rather than a bank along the present field boundary in a easterly direction.
75076	46880	Level platform?	Post- medieval	Level platform in the northern side of the wood. This may be two charcoal burning platforms together

75070	46871	Level platform	Post-medieval	To much fallen timber to say. 8m long and 3m wide.
75052	46831	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	
75044	46800	Holloway	Post-medieval	The modern forestry track cut a holloway. At this point the holloway seems to follow the modern track in a westerly direction. The holloway is continuing in a south - easterly direction.
75062	46795	Holloway	Post-medieval	The holloway continues to follow the contours out into the
75038	76800	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	Fair
74999	46804	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues with wide bank on north-eastern side, follows woodland edge
74867	46870	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues with small ditch on northern side
74849	46884	Ditch	Post-medieval	Runs from holloway to woodbank.
74785	46879	quarry	Post-medieval	Small scoop
74769	46897	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	fair
74764	46895	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	fair
74756	46886	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	fair
74784	46870	lynchet	Medieval?	c. 0.7m high with a track on its top running 3m inside present the woodland boundary
74763	46829	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	poor
74699	46804	Bank and ditch	Medieval?	3m wide and 0.5m high. Ditch on northern side 2m wide and 0.3m deep.
74719	46778	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	Good condition.
74711	46725	Parish Boundary	Medieval?	Continues
74664	46721	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	
74613	46652	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	
74528	46650	Chacoal burning platform	Post-medieval	
74534	46646	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	
74538	46648	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	
74543	46650	Charcoal	Post-medieval	

		burning platform		
74602	46645	Building Platform	Post-medieval	Triangular, 8m long and 4m wide
74604	46599	Building Platform	Post-medieval	8m wide and 12m long
74642	46616	Building Platform	Post-medieval	triangular, 12m long and 6m wide
74673	46615	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	Disturbed by animals
74682	46612	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74692	46634	Platform	Post-medieval	4m diameter slightly indented next to crab apple tree.
74689	46517	Compartment bank	Post-medieval	runs north-east for c. 100m
74676	46485	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74670	46486	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74680	46482	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74690	46486	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74688	46490	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74672	46495	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74665	46482	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74654	46486	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74666	46474	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	
74592	46377	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74590	46370	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74503	46344	Woodbank	medieval?	1.5m wide and 0.75m high with 2m wide ditch on NW side.
74367	46333	Woodbank	medieval?	continues
74318	46352	bank	Post-medieval	meets woodbank, 1m wide with ditch to south
74281	46404	bank	Post-medieval	continues and curves round top of small knoll.
74239	46447	bank	Post-medieval	continues to run North east.

74152	46510	Lynchet	Medieval	2.5m high
74182	46554	Quarry	Post-medieval	Cuts dyke
74180	46554	Parish Boundary	Medieval/Saxon	Possible Dyke 5m high on parish boundary.
74072	46617	Lynchet	Medieval	meets parish boundary and runs to Lumbridge Hill Wood.

Lumbridge Hill Wood

SMR.No	Easting	Northing	Site Type	Period	Description
	74113	46672	Woodland Boundary Bank	medieval	continuation of lynchet
	74004	46769	Bridge	19th Century	Single span stone with brick arch 1.6m high and 0.5m wide Cridge is 2.5m wide and very well built Also a Hydraulic ram here , by Green and Co.
	74003	46919	Woodland Boundary Bank	medieval	1.5m wide almost a lynchet
	74014	47056	Lynchet	medieval	1.0m high runs to the south-east for 50m
	74024	47246	Woodland Boundary Bank	medieval	continuation of lynchet/woodbank 4m high outside wood
	74107	47183	Lynchet	medieval	2m high running on North/south axis
	74087	47185	Lynchet	medieval	runs paralell to last
	74081	47149			continues and curves onto ridge cutting off higher lynchet
	74059	47140	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	Faces West
	74115	46972	Quarry	Post-medieval	cuts bank
	74113	46972	Bank	medieval	runs along ridge top
	74118	46905	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	
	74121	46910	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	
	74115	46819	Bank	medieval	runs parallel to ridge top bank
	74118	46803			continues and curves up to meet ridge top bank
	74131	46763			ridge top bank continues and runs down to stream
	74173	46785	Woodland Boundary Bank	medieval	runs from top of knoll to meet wood bank running parallel to stream
	74188	46743	Quarry	Post-medieval	5m in diameter and 3m deep

Rowburrow Wood

SMR No	Easting	Northing	Site Type	Period	Description
	74164	46145	Lynchet	medieval	1.5m high runs south for 60m and north for 15m
	74206	46144	Lynchet	medieval	runs north-east hits woodland boundary bank at this point
	74248	46172	woodland bank	medieval	meets small lynchet running north and south

74266	46194			lynchet continues
74310	46217	Lynchet	medieval	hits woodbank at this point and runs north.
74347	46207	woodland boundary bank	medieval	continues to run along ridge top in a north-easterly direction.
74555	46119	holloway	medieval	4m wide 1.5m deep followed by course of modern track.
74566	46038			continues and turns east following contour
74544	46047			continues but splits into two, one running west the other north-west.
74521	46054	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	7m diameter
74495	46026	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	5m diameter
74477	46008	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	5m diameter
74471	46002	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74474	46000	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74421	46002	Bank and Ditch	medieval	cut by holloway
74482	45959	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74448	45931	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	Sits in ditch of woodland boundary bank
74469	45833	woodbank	medieval	peters out
74475	45853	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74495	45857	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74496	45869	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74520	45850	Bank and Ditch	medieval	runs up southern side of spur
74521	45850	quarry	Post-medieval	respects bank
74546	45879			bank and ditch continue over hill crest and runs down eastern side.
74607	45916	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74633	45921	Bank and Ditch	medieval	runs from hill crest to the north east
74630	35921	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	cuts bank and ditch
74619	45885	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	
74494	45814	quarry	Post-	series of small quarries

74453	45706	holloway	medieval	Post-medieval	at end of series of quarries
74436	45701	woodland boundary bank	medieval	medieval	runs 30m to north and south from this point
74575	45764	holloway	medieval	medieval	cuts woodbank, 6m wide and 1m deep runs out after 15m
74604	45855	building platforms	Post-medieval	Post-medieval	Two platforms one 3.5m wide and 7m long and the other 3.5m square.
74660	45893	ridge & furrow	Post-medieval	Post-medieval	two ridges running for 50m up to platforms.
74667	45871	Bank and Ditch	Post-medieval	Post-medieval	continues to east.
74712	45869				continues as a lynchet.
74756	45871	Charcoal burning Platform	Post-medieval	Post-medieval	cuts woodland boundary bank
74722	45939	Bank and Ditch	Post-medieval	Post-medieval	Bank is 3.5m wide and 0.25m high ditch to its south runs west for 50m.

Long Grove Wood

SMR No	Eastings	Northing	Site Type	Period	Description
	74946	45840	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	4.5m in diameter
	74908	45805	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	8m in diameter, cut by modern track.

Stocktons Coppice

SMR No	Eastings	Northing	Site Type	Period	Description
	75151	46122	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	facing east, mid slope.

Cother Wood

SMR No	Eastings	Northing	Site Type	Period	Description
	75805	46259	Bank	Medieval	Ridge top bank, 2m wide and 1m high with hedge on its top.
	75788	46334	Trackways	Post-medieval	Two trackways cut into hillslope and forming lynchets.
	75733	46443	Quarries	Post-medieval	large area of quarrying on eastern side of ridge, up to 7m deep.
	75657	46633	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Immediately east of ridge top bank
	75616	46716			quarries continue
	75514	46974	Parish boundary bank	Medieval	meets ridge top bank, does not continue east.
	75410	47314	Holloway	Medieval	cuts ridge top bank leads to Upper Vinesend Farm.
	75493	47558	Charcoal	Post-	Well preserved.

		burning platform	medieval	
75506	47471	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	7m in diameter
75510	47468	Saw Pit	Post-medieval	4m long, 2m wide and 0.5m deep.
75508	47508	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Well preserved.
75524	47225	bank and ditch	Medieval	1.5m wide with ditch on southern side, compartment boundary.
75490	47242	Holloway	Medieval	runs to the north-west
75486	47069	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Well preserved.
75524	47104	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	
75520	47102	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	
75514	47023	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	
75475	46941	lynchet	Medieval	1m high, follows the contour, running parallel to ridge top bank for over 50m.

Six Acre Wood and Bank Wood

SMR No	Easting	Northing	Site Type	Period	Description
75360	46996		Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	facing north-west.
75302	46996		Woodland boundary bank	medieval	runs off the parish boundary bank.
75360	46908				meets parish boundary bank.
75454	46933		Ridge & Furrow	medieval	Junction between two areas of ridge and furrow running north/south and north-west / south-east.
75458	46877		Holloway	Post-medieval	2m wide and 0.5m deep, cuts ridge and furrow
75448	46838		Quarry	Post-medieval	c. 5m indiameter, cuts ridge and furrow
75428	46829		Quarry	Post-medieval	c. 5m indiameter, cuts ridge and furrow
75378	46807		Woodland boundary bank	medieval	0.5m high.
75461	46756		Ditch	Post-medieval	small ditch running east for 10m. Compartment boundary.
75481	46735		Lynchet	medieval	0.5m high running south with contour
75554	46667		Ridge & Furrow	medieval	Area of ridge and furrow aligned east-west.
75570	46632		Lynchet	medieval	0.5m high, separates east west area of ridge and furrow from area aligned north/south.
75618	46498			medieval	North-eastern edge of ridge and furrow system
75607	46490		Woodland	medieval	large wood bank

		boundary bank			
75638	46468	Lynchet	medieval	4m high and continues to run south out of the wood.	

Rough Hill Wood

SMR No	Easting	Northing	Site Type	Period	Description
	75932	48240	Woodland boundary bank	medieval	1.5m wide and 0.4m high. Runs south for 60m and north for 15m.
	75972	48221			continues and runs down the steepest part of the slope with a ditch on its eastern side.
	76063	48186	Charcoal burning platform	Post- medieval	Facing south and well preserved.
	76002	47964	Lynchet	medieval	runs north-east for 20m.
	75962	47927	Holloway	Post- medieval	3m wide and 1.5m deep runs to the North-east for over 130m, may have been recently re-cut.

Oyster Hill

SMR No	Easting	Northing	Site Type	Period	Description
	372260	241780	Furnace?	Romano- British?	level platform and funnel shaped chanel in hillslope, evidence for burning, small pot frags.
	372270	241800	Furnace?	Romano- British?	level platform and funnel shaped chanel in hillslope, evidence for burning, small pot frags.
	372390	241820	Ridge & Furrow	Medieval	extensive area of ridge and furrow.
	372850	240580	Building	Medieval	Remains of small two cell stone built structure.
	372950	240570	Holloway	Medieval	runs from building remains to the north-east for over 100m.
	372840	240610	Quarry	Medieval	to north west of building, 15m diameter.
	372680	240500	Bank and Ditch	Post- medieval	Substantial bank with ditch on eastern side aligned north/ south.

Dog Wood

SMR No	Easting	Northing	Site Type	Period	Description
	71465	38537	Bank	Post- medieval	2 banks topped by hedges 5m apart running north/south.
	71304	38499	Quarry	Post- medieval	60m long and 40m wide
	71299	38466	Quarry	Post- medieval	2 quarries 10m in diameter
	71282	38065	Holloway	Post- medieval	4m wide runs diagonally down the western side of the wood
	71261	38055	Platform	post- medieval	3m diameter
	71252	38046	Platform	Post- medieval	3m diameter
	71265	38012	Holloway	medieval	5m deep and 6m wide aligned NE/SW
	71294	38020	Wall	Post- medieval	2m high rubble stone wall possibly a pound or f old yard.
	71272	38004	Platform	Post- medieval	10m in diameter poorly preserved.
	71332	38150	woodland boundary	Post- medieval	ditch to west bank c. 2m wide.

bank

Frith Wood

SMR No.	Easting	Northing	Site Type	Period	Description
	71257	38967	Woodland boundary bank	Medieval	1.5m wide and 1m high, running on north/south axis on western edge of wood.
	71259	38969	Holloway	Medieval	runs in eastern ditch of woodbank.5m wide
	71252	38969	Lynchet	Medieval	runs parallel to woodbank and 5m to its west.
	71316	39108			Southern end of lynchet
	71365	39185			Northern end of lynchet
	71367	39185	Holloway	Medieval	runs from terminal of lynchet to the north-west.
	71392	39186			runs under woodbank
	71778	39730	Woodland boundary bank	Medieval	continues and turns to run west
	71714	39778	Ditch	Medieval	continues line of woodbank, 2m deep and 5m wide
	71662	39802			truncated by quarry
	71650	39802	Quarry	Post-medieval	truncates ditch
	71274	38798	Lynchet	Medieval	Southern end of lowest lynchet 0.75m high
	71284	38945			northern end of lowest lynchet
	71305	38948	Lynchet	Medieval	Northern end of next lynchet, 2m high
	71270	38773			Southern end of next lynchet
	71289	38754	Lynchet	Medieval	Southern end of next lynchet, 4m high
	71311	39005			Northern end of next lynchet
	71290	38755	Bank	Medieval	2m wide and 0.5m high, runs between the 3rd and 4th lynchets northern terminals.
	71375	38999	Lynchet	Medieval	Northern end of 4th lynchet
	71363	38850			Southern end of 4th lynchet
	71376	38836	Woodland boundary bank	Medieval	ridge top bank 1m wide and 0.5m high. Cut by holloway
	71375	38852	Lynchet	Medieval	southern end of 5th, (top) lynchet, follows course f holloway
	71442	39102	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	5m in diameter facing west
	71372	39189	Charcoal burning platform	post-medieval	5m in diameter facing west
	71405	39184	Building platform	post-medieval	triangular platform 8m wide and 5m deep, facing west
	71450	38845	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	5m in diameter facing west
	71528	39110	Charcoal burning platform	post-medieval	4.5m diameter
	71545	39023	Bank	Medieval	1.5m wide and 0.3m high with a ditch on its northern side runs east-west.
	71535	38936			continues
	71550	38912			runs under woodbank on ridge
	71645	39143	Lynchet	Medieval	20m long runs across slope
	71640	39144	Building	Medieval	immedeately upslope of lynchet

		platform		
71691	39179	Bank	Medieval	0.4m high and 2m wide bank with ditch on northern side runs down western side of wood.
71672	39185			bank turns to the south-west and peters out
71653	39167	Building platform	Medieval	Triangular platform 12m wide and 5m deep, facing south-west
71623	39165	Building platform	Medieval	Triangular platform 10m wide and 5m deep, facing south-west.
71623	39170	Lynchet	Medieval	series of 3 small terraces or lynchets c. 25m long and 0.4m high
71615	39161	Building platform	Medieval	4m in diameter on end of lynchets
71605	39298	Bank	Medieval	1m wide bank with ditch on northern side enclosing a spring
71600	39288			bank ends
71714	39151	Bank	Medieval	1m wide bank with ditch on northern side
71759	39117			continues and hits ridge-top bank
71695	39235	Lynchet	Medieval	series of 3 small terraces or lynchets c. 25m long and 0.4m high
71593	39232	Bank	Medieval	runs from spring to series of lynchets
71671	39397	Lynchet	Medieval	runs roughly north south for 70m
71620	49455	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	very poor condition
71671	39501	building platform	Post-medieval	Triangular 4m wide and 8m long
71691	39186	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	unusual in that it is raised/built up
71668	39148	platform	Post-medieval	4m diameter 'D' shaped platform
71766	39177	Woodland boundary bank	Medieval	1.5m high with a 2m wide ditch to its east. Runs north-south
71805	39106			continues and turns to run east-west
71823	39299			continues and turns to run north-south
71720	39032	Bank and ditch	post-medieval	runs off woodland bank and curves to the west
71775	39330			bank and ditch terminate
71776	39328	bank	Post-medieval	runs west to ridge top bank and east for c. 5m before splitting into two
72359	40457	Quarry	Post-medieval	15m in diameter and semi circular
72416	40411	Woodland boundary bank	Medieval	0.5m high and 1.5m wide with ditch to its north
72414	40390			continues and turns slightly to the south
72385	40356	Quarry	post-medieval	cuts woodland bank
72387	40388	Charcoal burning platform	post-medieval	4m in diameter
72294	40252	bank	Medieval	0.5m high and 2.5m wide with ditch to its west
72307	40244			turns to run west over the ridge
72296	40284			turns to run south
72247	40219			runs to ridge top to become or join ridge top bank
72282	40230	bank and ditch	post-medieval	crosses last bank. 1m wide and 0.3m high aligned north-west/south-east

71901	39823 Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	meets ridge top bank and runs east. 0.5m high 1.5m wide with a ditch to its south
72156	39775		hits wood edge and becomes woodland boundary bank
72193	39705 Lynchet	Medieval	runs to the south-east
71903	39680 Lynchet	Medieval	northern end of a series of 3/4 small lynchets runs along contour for c.40m
71817	39470 Ditch	post-medieval	2m wide and 0.3m deep runs from ridge top bank curving north
71837	39429 Ditch	Post-medieval	previous ditch hits ditch running north/south with 1m high and 2m wide bank
72048	39287 terrace/lynchet	Medieval	runs north-south for 300m
72043	39271 Woodland boundary bank	Medieval	very contorted runs east for 25m before becoming edge of present wood edge.
72017	39300		continues
71915	39573 Enclosure	Medieval	Triangular Enclosure formed by a bank cutting across the woodland boundary bank
71918	39660 Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	low bank with ditch to its south running west from the woodland boundary bank
72015	39756 Ditch	Post-medieval	ditch running from ridge top bank to woodland boundary bank. 3m wide.
72096	39742 Bank and ditch	Medieval	runs due north from this point for over 50m
72424	39869 Ditch	post-medieval	1.3m wide and 0.3m deep swings north and then east.
72400	39914 Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	runs south for 50m. It is 0.3m high and 2m wide
72489	40035 Woodland boundary bank	Post-medieval	Ditch on its northern side 1.5 wide and 0.3m deep. Bank 2m wide and 0.2m high
72497	40153 Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	5m in diameter and cut into top of woodland boundary bank
72431	40238 Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	Runs from woodland boundary bank to the south west to ridge top.
72437	40263 Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	parallel to last, 0.2m high and 1.5m wide
72382	40029 Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	5m in diameter
72355	40116 Ditch	Post-medieval	0.2m deep and 1.5m wide, runs south for 20m and north for 60m
72336	40151 Quarry	Post-medieval	small scoop 4.5m in diameter.
72352	40402 Ditch	Post-medieval	2m wide runs south-west out of the wood
71677	38995 Lynchet	Medieval	Part of a series of strip fields
71692	39028 Holloway	Medieval	4m wide with low bank on southern side and higher bank to its north.
71746	38980 Lynchet	Medieval	Part of a series of strip fields
71784	38919 Lynchet	Medieval	Part of a series of strip fields
71762	38903 Lynchet	Medieval	part of a series of strip fields this one forms the edge of a garden area and fold yard
71786	38874 Lynchet	Medieval	Part of a series of strip fields
71959	38996 Bank and ditch	Post-medieval	leaves wood bank turns to south and east and ends at this point
71771	38981 Building	Post-medieval	5m by 4m two cell structure comprising stone and some handmade brick. Foundations only

71757	38970 Wall	Post-medieval	enclosing a small yard c. 10m square, foundations only
71788	38955 Garden	Post-medieval	1m higher than surroundings, very dark earth and very stone free.10m long and 7m wide.
71668	38993 Bank	Medieval	2m wide and 0.5m high runs towards Bradlow Knoll
371620	239030 Barrow?	Prehistoric ?	Eroded 7m diameter mound on top of spur known as Bradlow Knoll, All boundaries respect it.

Coneygree Wood

SMR No.	Easting	Northing	Site Type	Period	Description
71510	37584		Holloway	Medieval	forks to the east and south.
71652	37537		Bank	Post-medieval	Aligned east-west 3m wide and 0.5m high
71611	37553		Quarry	Post-medieval	small scoops 4m in diameter.
71586	37417		Wall	Post-medieval	Roughly coursed stone built 2m high follows western edge of wood to this point.
71638	37278		Wall	Post-medieval	Wall begins again, roughly coursed stone built 2m high follows western edge of wood to this point.
71632	37263		Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	5m in diameter facing west.
71646	37245				wall ends with a brick buttress.
71666	37210		Lynchet	Medieval	Runs north/south, 3m high.
71662	37171		Wall	Post-medieval	begins again runs south.
71717	37027		Lynchet	Medieval	runs north/south, 4m high.
71798	36987		Holloway	Medieval	runs SE 4m wide and 1.5m deep
71835	36994		bank	Post-medieval	Compartment bank runs west, 3m wide and 0.5m high and runs north from this point for 50m.
71831	36937		Bank	Post-medieval	runs parallel to last and is 2m high, almost lynchet, c. 100m long.
71870	36841		Quarry	Post-medieval	series of scoops c. 5m in diameter.
71947	36737		Lynchet	Medieval	5m high and 5m wide and is over 50m long.
71959	36716		Lynchet	Medieval	series of 3 lynchets aligned north / south.
71993	36677		Quarry	Post-medieval	10m in diameter
71995	36675		Holloway	Medieval	4m wide and 2m deep runs north for 60m
72023	36595		Bank	post-medieval	Compartment bank runs north, 1.5m wide with a ditch on its western side.runs for 100m
72032	36534				continues out of the wood and becomes a hedge bank
72081	36693		Quarry	Post-medieval	25m long
72109	36705		Bank	Post-medieval	Compartment boundary with a ditch on northern side, bank is 0.7m high and 1.5m wide runs east.
72185	36813		Building	Post-medieval	Brick built 4m wide and 7m long chimney and bread oven on southern end. Ruined.
72168	36823		Building	Post-medieval	WC for cottage.
72166	36829		Ditch	Post-medieval	runs north for 50m, 1.5m wide.
72124	37096		Ditch	Medieval	2m wide ditch at base of slope separating Coneygree from Mayhill wood
72113	37089				continues to the crest of the ridge
72115	37090		Bank	Post-	runs along crest north with ditch to its west.

		medieval	
72114	37091 Bank	Post-medieval	runs west, 0.7m high
72051	37136 Bank	Post-medieval	runs west, 0.7m high with ditch to its north
72073	37100 Bank	Post-medieval	1m wide with a ditch on its western side. Runs north for 100m
72051	37065 Lynchet	Medieval	runs N/S 1m high runs for 50m in each direction.
72012	37051 Ditch	Post-medieval	Southern end runs N/S bank to west both 1.5m wide.
71990	37045 Lynchet	Medieval	aligned N/S for 100m, 2m high
71977	37041 Lynchet	Medieval	parallel to the last, 1m high
71861	36989 Ditch	Post-medieval	bank on down-slope side runs west for 5m
71790	37214 Lynchet	Medieval	0.75m high aligned N/S
71807	37211 Lynchet	Medieval	runs N/S 1m high runs for 50m in each direction.
71801	37232		turns to run E/W
71869	37364 Lynchet	Medieval	series of 3 lynchets aligned north / south.
71975	37348 bank and ditch	Post-medieval	compartment bank, 1.5m wide, ditch on western side
72008	37297 Cairn	Medieval	Clearance cairn c. 8m in diameter and 0.6m high made of limestone nodules.
72143	37399 bank and ditch	Post-medieval	runs N/S 1m high runs for 50m in each direction.
72167	37416 Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	5m in diameter facing north.
72188	37468 Woodland boundary bank	Medieval	bank 1.5m wide with a ditch on either side c. 0.7m wide.
71839	37548 Saw pit	Post-medieval	3m long and 1.3m wide.
71840	37550 Woodland boundary bank	Medieval	runs NE/SW axis
71854	37469 bank	Post-medieval	runs on a NW/SE axis for 50m in each direction.
71766	37432 Ditch	Post-medieval	runs North for 60m
71725	37578 Holloway	Medieval	bank on northern side

Discussion of Results

Individual Early Sites

Early Settlement Sites

Major Territorial Boundaries

A number of large scale linear boundaries were recorded that appear to be unrelated to woodland management features or field systems. These usually ran along the ridge tops and comprises an bank between 3 and 5m wide with a ditch on either side. At the end of a ridge these either wrap around the end or divide to run down the steepest part of the slope.

Field Systems and Related Settlement

Of particular significance is the amount of field system remains recorded during the survey. These comprise areas of strip lynchets and field lynchet as well as areas of ridge and furrow. The field systems are predominantly located on the western side of the ridges. This appears to be exclusively due to topography, in that the eastern faces are usually too steep for this type of land use. Ridge and furrow has been recorded in Halesend Wood, Mallins Wood, Whitmans Hill, Rowberrow Wood, Six Acre Wood, Cother Wood and Oyster hill. The ridge and furrow is predominantly aligned with the contour, (i.e. north / south) or running slightly on the diagonal to the contour.

Lynchets are apparent in all large areas of woodland from Coneygree Wood in the south to Halesend in the north of the survey area. Some are directly associated with ridge and furrow others appear to represent field divisions where no ridge and furrow is present or where it has not been preserved. When these areas of ridge and furrow and lyncheting are looked at together it is clear that very substantial areas of quite marginal land were under arable cultivation at one or more times.

This has a significant effect on our understanding of food production and population size in the Medieval period in Herefordshire. Why were these area being intensively cultivated? Why were sometimes huge amounts of labour being allocated to the construction of strip lynchet systems when the valley bottoms provide a more fertile and more accessible arable resource?

There can only be two reasons for this huge investment in effort, for presumably often very limited returns. Either the population of the region was such that food was in short supply and more marginal areas had to be put under the plough, or, climatic conditions made the cultivation of heavy silts and clays in more low lying areas increasingly difficult. It is therefore suggested that many of these features relate to the first half of the 14th century, prior to the plague and subsequent population crash but including a climatic trough with increased rainfall and often severe flooding. Indeed, pottery of 14th century date has been recovered from a series of lynchets within Frith Wood. More detailed recording of the full extent of these systems would almost certainly provide additional information concerning orientation, drainage and layout.

Woodland Management Traces

Our understanding of the intensive nature of woodland management has also been greatly increased. From this rapid survey in excess of 130 charcoal burning platforms were noted, accounting for almost one fifth of the total number of features recorded. It is assumed that many of the other platforms recorded relate to the storage of either raw materials or end product and to the living areas, whether seasonal or more permanent. Add to this the number of saw-pits and quarries recorded and it is clear that many of these woods must have been intensively managed for considerable periods of time. The location of charcoal burning platforms and saw pits is of some significance. It is possible, if it is accepted that both types of feature are broadly contemporary, to begin to understand some of the historic ecology of some areas of wood. Where charcoal burning platforms and saw-pits are found in close proximity to one another it can be inferred that these areas of wood were being managed as a coppiced understorey with standards. Whilst the exclusive presence of charcoal burning platforms would suggest intensive coppicing. The location of charcoal

burning platforms is also of significance. The majority recorded during this survey were positioned on the western sides of the ridge or on the sides of small valleys. Where charcoal burning platforms are apparent on the eastern side of the ridges the tend to be close to the base of slope, often cut into the woodland boundary bank.

Industrial Activity/ 'recent settlement'

Woodland History from Archaeology

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2 cassettes of survey recordings
1 Microsoft Excel Database
1 Mapinfo Table
1 Microsoft Word file of record transcriptions
This Document

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