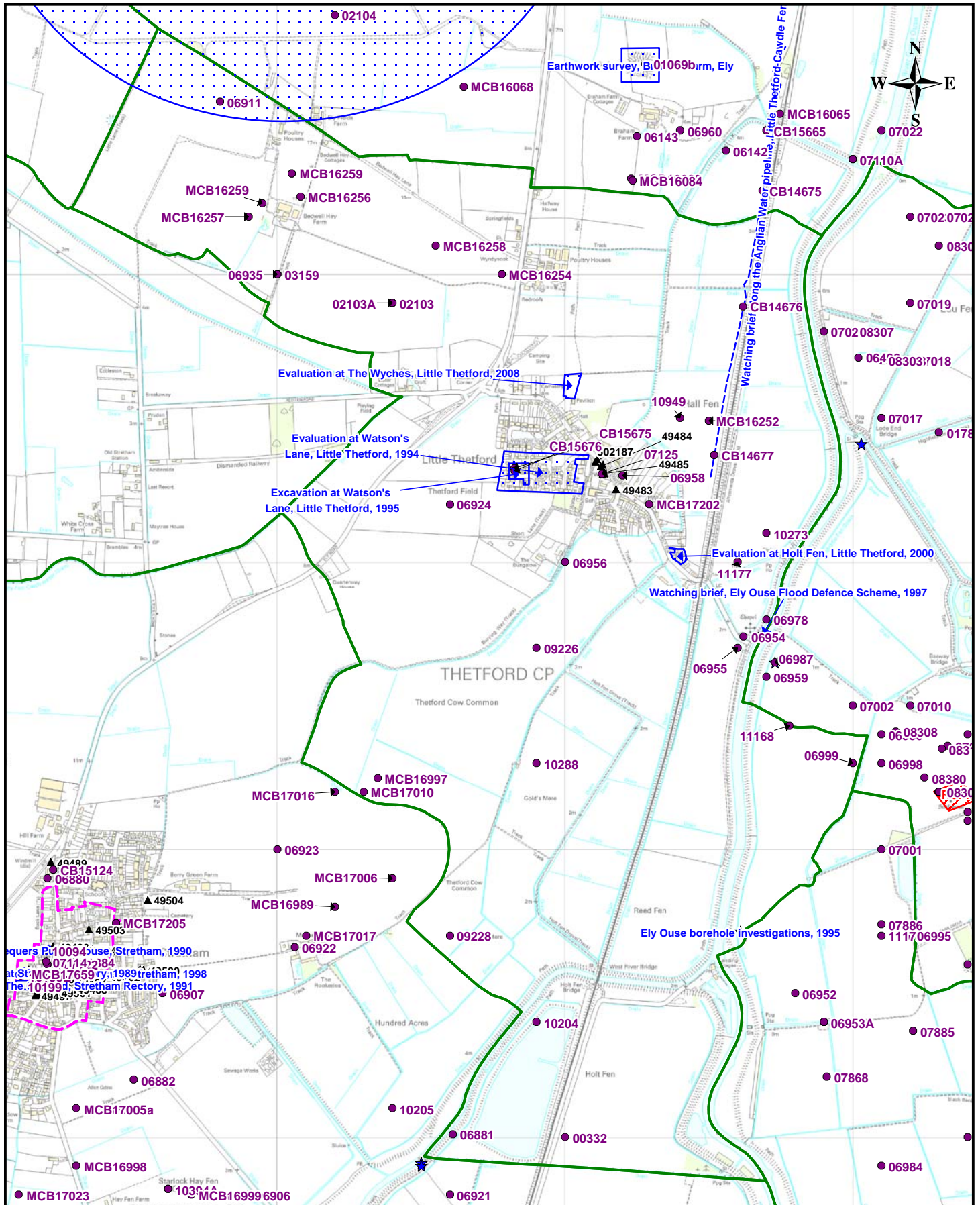


Cambridgeshire Historic Environment Record



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| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------|
| 00332 | Medieval sword, Little Thetford | Find Spot |
| This sword, probably dating to the C13th, was dredged from the river. | | |

Classification**Monument Types and Dates**

Findspot Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD

Building Materials/Evidence**Monument Status and Scores****Associated Legal Designations - None recorded****Other Statuses and Cross-References**

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely)

Active

Original Record Number - 00332

Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded**Location****National Grid Reference** TL 53 74**Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded**Description**

R1, Medieval sword dredged from the River Cam near Stretham, probably C13.

Sources

(R1) Article in serial: 1928. Archaeological Notes. PCAS 29: 105-15. , p. 115 (ill)

Associated Finds**Find Types and Dates**

FCB799 SWORD (Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD)

Object Material

IRON

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded**Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded**

| | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
| 02081 | Neolithic arrowhead, Little Thetford | Find Spot |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Findspot Neolithic - 4000 BC to 2201 BC

Building Materials/Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) Active

Original Record Number - 02081 Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 53 76

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

Triangular shaped arrowhead, pressure worked: length 3,1cm. Donated by M Young.

Sources - None recorded

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

FCB774 ARROWHEAD (Neolithic - 4000 BC to 2201 BC)

Object Material

FLINT

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|---|---|------------------------------------|
| 02103 | Neolithic polished flint axe, Little Thetford | Find Spot |
| Classification | | |
| Monument Types and Dates | | Building Materials/Evidence |
| Findspot | Neolithic - 4000 BC to 2201 BC | |
| Monument Status and Scores | | |
| Associated Legal Designations - None recorded | | |
| Other Statuses and Cross-References | | |
| SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) | | Active |
| Original Record Number - 02103 | | Active |
| Ratings and Scorings - None recorded | | |
| Location | | |
| National Grid Reference | TL 524 769 | |
| Administrative Areas | | |
| Civil Parish | Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire | |
| Address/Historic Names - None recorded | | |
| Description | | |
| 1. A yellow brown polished flint axe damaged at tip end, length 10,5cm from Bedwell Hay Farm, Cratendune. | | |
| Sources | | |
| (1) Bibliographic reference: 1984. Ely Museum. | | |
| Associated Finds | | |
| Find Types and Dates | | Object Material |
| FCB9028 | AXE (Neolithic - 4000 BC to 2201 BC) | FLINT |
| Associated Events/Activities - None recorded | | |
| Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded | | |

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|---|---|------------------------------------|
| 02103A | Roman quern, Little Thetford | Find Spot |
| Classification | | |
| Monument Types and Dates | | Building Materials/Evidence |
| Findspot | - 43 AD to 409 AD | |
| Monument Status and Scores | | |
| #Error | | |
| #Error | | |
| SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) | | Active |
| Original Record Number - 02103A | | Active |
| Ratings and Scorings - None recorded | | |
| Location | | |
| National Grid Reference | TL 524 769 | |
| #Error | | |
| Civil Parish | Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire | |
| Address/Historic Names - None recorded | | |
| Description | | |
| 1. The base of a quern of puddingstone, max diameter 29cm, from Bedwell Hay Farm, Cratendune. | | |
| #Error | | |
| (1) Bibliographic reference: 1984. Ely Museum. | | |
| #Error | | |
| Find Types and Dates | | Object Material |
| FCB9029 | QUERN (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD) | STONE |
| #Error | | |
| #Error | | |

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| 06911 | Stone macehead find, Bedwell Hey Farm | Find Spot |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Findspot Bronze Age - 2500 BC to 701 BC

Building Materials/Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) Active

Original Record Number - 06911 Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 518 776

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

O1, ? BA perforated stone macehead found at Bedwell Hey Farm.
 S2, Perforated stone macehead (65,89) Rev D Foldes.

Sources

(R1) Serial: Council for British Archaeology 1965. CBA Group 7 Bulletin 12. , 1

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

FCB4794 PERFORATED OBJECT (Bronze Age - 2500 BC to 701 BC)

Object Material

STONE

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|---|---|------------------------------------|
| 06924 | Windmill, Little Thetford | Monument |
| Classification | | |
| Monument Types and Dates | | Building Materials/Evidence |
| Windmill | Medieval to 19th century - 1066 AD to 1900 AD | Documentary Evidence |
| Monument Status and Scores | | |
| Associated Legal Designations - None recorded | | |
| Other Statuses and Cross-References | | |
| SHINE Candidate (Possible) | | Active |
| Original Record Number - 06924 | | Active |
| Ratings and Scorings - None recorded | | |
| Location | | |
| National Grid Reference | TL 526 762 | |
| Administrative Areas | | |
| Civil Parish | Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire | |
| Address/Historic Names - None recorded | | |
| Description | | |
| R1, Wind mill. | | |
| Sources | | |
| (R1) Map: 1605. Tracing of map of Stretham. | | |
| Finds - None recorded | | |
| Associated Events/Activities - None recorded | | |
| Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded | | |

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| 06954 | Little Thetford (church mound) | Monument |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Chapel Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD

Building Materials/Evidence

Earthwork, Documentary Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Probable) Active

Original Record Number - 06954 Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 5362 7574

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

R1. Chapel (site of).

R2. The site of a former church or chapel.

O1. There is a non surveyable mound at the published site now covered by root crop. No remains of the chapel were identified.

R4. Originally known as Haveringmere or Harrimere. A presentation to the chapel is recorded in 1381. It was included in a grant to Cecily Pickerell, widow, of Norwich, in satisfaction of a debt owed to her late husband by the Duke of Somerset. In 1571 the chapel came into the hands of Richard Hill and Robert Don.

Sources

(R1) Map: 1958. OS 6 inch map.

(R2) Bibliographic reference: OS ONB. OS ONB Cambs, 30 NW13, 1925, Revision

(R3) Bibliographic reference: Rev JN Cockshott, Rector of Stretham with Hertford

(R4) Bibliographic reference: Pugh, R.B. (ed) 1953. The Victoria County History of Cambridgeshire and the Isle of Ely. Volume 4. Reprinted 1967

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|---|-------------|
| 06956 | Late Bronze Age flesh hook, Little Thetford | Find Spot |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Findspot Late Bronze Age - 1000 BC to 701 BC

Building Materials/Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) Active

Original Record Number - 06956 Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 53 76

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. A late BA flesh hook was found about 9ft below the surface while digging a dyke at Little Thetford. It is of elaborate design and consists of two parts, originally joined by a wooden shaft. Now in the BM.
2. The flesh hook was discovered in 1929, and purchased by the British Museum. The original account recalls remnants of a wooden shaft, but insufficient material remains to radiocarbon the object. The object is in two pieces, a butt end and a hooked part, which comprises multiple components. Scientific analyses were undertaken on the object, revealing a metal composition characteristic of a LBA date, as well as identifying the pin as a modern component added to secure the other parts of the object. A proposed manufacture and construction sequence for the object is discussed, involving the use of lost-wax casting. It is suggested that the hook may be an experimental piece for smiths working in the Wilburton tradition. The complexity and individuality of the object may reflect the status of the object in the community.

Sources

- (1) Article in serial: Antiq J 9. , p. 255 - 256 (photo)
- (2) Article in serial: Bowman, S. and Needham, S. 2007. The Dunaverney and Little Thetford Flesh-Hooks: History, Technology and Their Position within the Later Bronze Age Atlantic Zone Feasting Complex. Antiquaries Journal 87.

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

FCB4423 FLESH HOOK (Late Bronze Age - 1000 BC to 701 BC)

Object Material

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|--|--|------------------------------------|
| 06958 | Windmill, Little Thetford | Building |
| Classification | | |
| Monument Types and Dates | | Building Materials/Evidence |
| Windmill | Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD | Extant Building, Brick, Thatch |
| Monument Status and Scores | | |
| Associated Legal Designations - None recorded | | |
| Other Statuses and Cross-References | | |
| SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) | | Active |
| Original Record Number - 06958 | | Active |
| Ratings and Scorings - None recorded | | |
| Location | | |
| National Grid Reference | TL 532 763 | |
| Administrative Areas | | |
| Civil Parish | Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire | |
| Address/Historic Names - None recorded | | |
| Description | | |
| R2, Windmill in Little Thetford: Tower drainage mill. Stump of tower converted into house. One storey of red brick with conical thatched roof containing second storey. In village by road almost opposite church. | | |
| Sources | | |
| (R1) | Article in serial: Hughes, H.C. 1931. Windmills in Cambridgeshire and the Isle of Ely. PCAS 31: 17-29. , 27 | |
| (R2) | Bibliographic reference: Smith, A.C. 1975. Windmills in Cambridgeshire: a contemporary survey. Stevenage: Stevenage Museum, 27 | |
| Finds - None recorded | | |
| Associated Events/Activities - None recorded | | |
| Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded | | |

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|---|---|------------------------------------|
| 06978 | Wind pump, Little Thetford | Monument |
| Classification | | |
| Monument Types and Dates | | Building Materials/Evidence |
| Wind Pump | Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD | Documentary Evidence |
| Monument Status and Scores | | |
| Associated Legal Designations - None recorded | | |
| Other Statuses and Cross-References | | |
| SHINE Candidate (Possible) | | Active |
| Original Record Number - 06978 | | Active |
| Ratings and Scorings - None recorded | | |
| Location | | |
| National Grid Reference | TL 537 758 | |
| Administrative Areas | | |
| Civil Parish | Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire | |
| Address/Historic Names - None recorded | | |
| Description | | |
| R1, Wind pump (original PRC missing). | | |
| Sources | | |
| (R1) Map: 1837. Draft Inclosure Map. | | |
| Finds - None recorded | | |
| Associated Events/Activities - None recorded | | |
| Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded | | |

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 06987 | Barway causeway | Monument |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

| Monument Types and Dates | Building Materials/Evidence |
|--|-----------------------------|
| Causeway Bronze Age - 2500 BC to 701 BC | Sub Surface Deposit, Timber |

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| SHINE Candidate (Possible) | Active |
| Original Record Number - 06987 | Active |

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 5373 7565

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

O1, Late BA pile causeway.
 O2, The existence of a causeway here was deduced by Lethbridge and Major Fowler. In 1932, piles from the causeway were causing the farmer difficulties with ploughing, so he decided to remove them. He uprooted a large number of great stakes, which he temporarily replaced in their respective holes, projecting above the ground, to show the course of the causeway, and had them photographed. Later excavation by Lethbridge took place near the river bank and revealed that the causeway was made of brushwood kept in place by occasional beams and stakes. Above this was a well-marked layer of fine sand. A large pot-herd of late BA / early Iron Age type was found within the brushwood and a bronze ring was similarly located a short distance away. Objects of similar date were later found in the middle of the causeway. Illustrations of ring and pottery attached to PRC.

Sources

- (R1) Bibliographic reference: OS, Rec 6in, (LethbridgeTC)
- (R2) Article in serial: Lethbridge, T.C. 1935. Investigation of the Ancient Causeway in the Fen between Fordy and Little Thetford, Cambridgeshire. PCAS 35: 86-9. , (photo, ill)
- (R3) Article in serial: Lethbridge, T.C and O'Reilly, M. 1936. Archaeological Notes. PCAS 36: 161-4. , p. 161
- (R4) Bibliographic reference: Salzman L.F. (ed) 1938. The Victoria County History of Cambridgeshire and the Isle of Ely. Volume 1. Reprinted 1967, 283
- (R5) Map: CAAM 6 inch map.

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

| Find Types and Dates | Object Material |
|---|-----------------|
| FCB4568 SHERD (1) (Late Bronze Age to Early Iron Age - 1000 BC to 401 BC) | POTTERY |
| FCB4569 RING (Bronze Age - 2500 BC to 701 BC) | BRONZE |

Associated Events/Activities

ECB824 Excavation of Barway Causeway, 1934 (Event - Intervention)

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| 06999 | Bronze Age spear, Little Thetford | Find Spot |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Findspot Bronze Age - 2500 BC to 701 BC

Building Materials/Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) Active

Original Record Number - 06999 Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 540 753

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

S1, Late BA barbed spearhead, about 10ins long, flat" unusual type; we have the base and socket only of another from Fens" (MC). See sketch on PRC

R1. In 1980, Mr Philip Randall of Barway found a Later Bronze Age barbed bronze spearhead on his land at New Fordey Farm (TL 539752)

R2. The find referred to above in SCB19040 is in all probability the same as findspot (06999) although this can not be proven.

Sources

(R1) Article in serial: Coombs, D. 1981. Barbed spearhead from Barway, Cambridgeshire. PCAS 70: 235.

(R2) Verbal communication: Lodoen, A. 2004. Personal Comment on the barbed spearhead from Barway.

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

FCB4460 SPEARHEAD (Bronze Age - 2500 BC to 701 BC)

Object Material

BRONZE

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|--|-------------|
| 07125 | Saint George's Church, Little Thetford | Building |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

| | |
|---------|---|
| Church | 14th century to Modern - 1301 AD to 2050 AD |
| Chancel | 14th century to Modern - 1301 AD to 2050 AD |
| Nave | 14th century to Modern - 1301 AD to 2050 AD |
| Vestry | 14th century to Modern - 1301 AD to 2050 AD |
| Font | 14th century - 1301 AD to 1400 AD |

Building Materials/Evidence

Extant Building

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations

| | | | |
|---------------|-----------------|-------|---------------------|
| DCB121 Active | Listed Building | 49485 | Church of St George |
| 9 | | | |

Other Statutes and Cross-References

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) | Active |
| Original Record Number - 07125 | Active |

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 5312 7630

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

Church of Saint George

R1. Nave and lower chancel, C14, but mostly rebuilt in the C19. Dec windows in the nave, Perp in the chancel. The two parts were originally separated by a solid wall with a doorway, two squints, and three brackets for images. Mostly rebuilt in C19.

The E gable of the nave was rebuilt in brick in 1665 and carries that date.

Font: Octagonal, C14, with heads looking out from the four diagonal panels. Badly preserved.

R2. The church consists of a chancel, nave, N. porch and S. vestry. The material is rubble and the roofs are covered with tiles. The fabric is of C14 origin. A century later new windows were inserted in the chancel. There was a drastic restoration in 1863, when the nave was slightly extended and the porch added. The vestry was erected in 1885. Until the 1863 restoration the nave was separated from the chancel by a solid wall with a doorway in the centre and a square squint on either side; above were three brackets, probably for supporting the rood and its attendant figures. The roofs were thatched.

Bell: Dated 1769, which came from the chapel of Ely House, London.

Plate: A modern chalice and paten of silver and a modern brass alms-dish.

Sources

- (R1) Bibliographic reference: Pevsner, N. 1954. The Buildings of England: Cambridgeshire. (2nd edition 1970). Penguin, 1954, 471
- (R2) Bibliographic reference: Pugh, R.B. (ed) 1953. The Victoria County History of Cambridgeshire and the Isle of Ely. Volume 4. Reprinted 1967

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|---|-------------|
| 07798 | Horn bow, Fens between Waterbeach and Ely | Find Spot |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Findspot Prehistoric - 500000 BC to 42 AD

Building Materials/Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) Active

Original Record Number - 07798 Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference Not displayed

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Stretham, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Civil Parish Waterbeach, South Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. Bow, made out of horn. Found in the Fens between Waterbeach and Ely. No further information on location known, therefore no grid reference given. The bow, formed of the horn of an animal, is highly polished. Resembles the ancient Grecian bows, having a double curvature, probably caused by their being constructed of two curved horns united together at the handle. Length when complete 42 1/2 ins. Formed of a single horn and one end, being the part where the horn had joined the skull, had broken off.

Sources

(1) Article in serial: Minty, G.P. 1856. Antiquities and Works of Art Exhibited. Arch J 13: 411-20. , p. 412

(2) Article in serial: 1870. Arch J 27. , p. 76 (procs)

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

FCB6373 BOW (WEAPON) (Prehistoric - 500000 BC to 42 AD)

Object Material

HORN

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|--|-------------|
| 08410 | Roman and Saxon pottery, Little Thetford | Find Spot |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Findspot Roman to Late Saxon - 43 AD to 1065 AD

Building Materials/Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) Active

Original Record Number - 08410 Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference Not displayed

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

R1, Roman and AS pottery, including one piece of Samian, found in a garden while digging out footings, trench 2ft 6in across. --/10/1986

Sources

(R1) Verbal communication: Mr Fletcher Information from finder.

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

FCB6296 SHERD (Roman to Late Saxon - 43 AD to 1065 AD)

Object Material

POTTERY

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|--|-------------|
| 09226 | Medieval settlement remains, Little Thetford | Monument |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

| | | Building Materials/Evidence |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Deserted Settlement? | Medieval - 1066 AD? to 1539 AD? | Cropmark |
| Linear Feature | Medieval - 1066 AD? to 1539 AD? | Cropmark |
| Feature | Medieval - 1066 AD? to 1539 AD? | Cropmark |
| Ridge And Furrow? | Medieval - 1066 AD? to 1539 AD? | Cropmark |
| Trackway | Medieval - 1066 AD? to 1539 AD? | Cropmark |
| Ditch | Medieval - 1066 AD? to 1539 AD? | Cropmark |

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| SHINE Candidate (Probable) | Active |
| Original Record Number - 09226 | Active |

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 529 757

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. ? Deserted Medieval village.(A Spedding 29/11/1983, CUCAP AP BET 3 used) (Note by R Palmer: unlikely, but probably Medieval or later). New details added 1988 using RC8-EB 111. Linear features, ? Ridge and furrow, circular feature. Additional note: System of parallel ditched tracks (some of which link with recent field boundaries) and enclosures. Alignment of features and proximity of furlong boundaries and ridge and furrow suggest a Medieval or later date. (R Palmer 16/01/1989).

Sources

(1) Aerial Photograph: CUCAP APs, 04/02/1971 BET 1 - 4,23/04/1982, 24/04/1982 RC8-EB 38, 39, 110 - 112

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| 09228 | Soilmarks, Little Thetford | Monument |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Enclosure
Field Boundary
Trackway
Building?

Building Materials/Evidence

Cropmark
Cropmark
Cropmark
Cropmark

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| SHINE Candidate (Probable) | Active |
| Original Record Number - 09228 | Active |

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 526 747

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. Enclosures and field boundaries. (NB: very indistinct soilmarks)(A Spedding 28/11/1983, CUCAP AP LB 2 used).Additional note: Soilmarks of banks / walls appearing to comprise field divisions and a track. Smaller feature just to the E may have been a building. Possibly continues into Stretham. More likely to be Medieval than Prehistoric or Ro. Sketched. (R Palmer 16/01/1989).

Sources

(1) Aerial Photograph: CUCAP APs, 09/04/1953 LB 1 - 3

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| 10204 | Possible enclosure, Little Thetford | Monument |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Enclosure?

Building Materials/Evidence

Cropmark

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Probable)

Active

Original Record Number - 10204

Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 529 744

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. Possible enclosure abutting Old West River. Suspect. (R Palmer 16/01/1989).

Sources

(1) Aerial Photograph: NMR APs, TL5274/1 - 2

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| 10273 | Possible ring ditch, Little Thetford | Monument |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Ring Ditch
 Linear Feature
 Ditch
 Field Boundary?

Building Materials/Evidence

Cropmark
 Cropmark
 Cropmark
 Cropmark

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| SHINE Candidate (Probable) | Active |
| Original Record Number - 10273 | Active |

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 537 761

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. Possible ring ditch enclosing very slight mound lying at N end of two parallel ditches running some 50m apart. Suspect - possibly includes recent field boundaries. Sketched.(R Palmer 16/01/1989).

Sources

(1) Aerial Photograph: NMR APs, TL4376/3/91 - 95

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|--|--|------------------------------------|
| 10288 | Rectangular enclosures, Little Thetford | Monument |
| Classification | | |
| Monument Types and Dates | | Building Materials/Evidence |
| Enclosure | | Cropmark |
| Ditch | | Cropmark |
| Monument Status and Scores | | |
| Associated Legal Designations - None recorded | | |
| Other Statuses and Cross-References | | |
| SHINE Candidate (Probable) | | Active |
| Original Record Number - 10288 | | Active |
| Ratings and Scorings - None recorded | | |
| Location | | |
| National Grid Reference | TL 529 753 | |
| Administrative Areas | | |
| Civil Parish | Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire | |
| Address/Historic Names - None recorded | | |
| Description | | |
| 1 & 2. Linked rectangular enclosures, one showing traces of internal ditches. (R Palmer 16/01/1989). | | |
| Sources | | |
| (1) | Aerial Photograph: NMR APs, TL5275/2/80 - 82, TL5375/3/114 - 115 | |
| (2) | Aerial Photograph: RC8-EB 39 - 40, 110 - 112 | |
| Finds - None recorded | | |
| Associated Events/Activities - None recorded | | |
| Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded | | |

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|---|---|------------------------------------|
| 10949 | Geological marks, Little Thetford | Monument |
| Classification | | |
| Monument Types and Dates | | Building Materials/Evidence |
| Feature | | Cropmark |
| Monument Status and Scores | | |
| Associated Legal Designations - None recorded | | |
| Other Statuses and Cross-References | | |
| SHINE Candidate (Possible) | | Active |
| Original Record Number - 10949 | | Active |
| Ratings and Scorings - None recorded | | |
| Location | | |
| National Grid Reference | TL 534 765 | |
| Administrative Areas | | |
| Civil Parish | Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire | |
| Address/Historic Names - None recorded | | |
| Description | | |
| 1. Geological marks, some quite angular, but all suspect. (R Palmer 16/01/1989).Not on CCC overlay. | | |
| Sources | | |
| (R1) Aerial Photograph: NMR APs, TL5376/1/462 - 467 | | |
| Finds - None recorded | | |
| Associated Events/Activities - None recorded | | |
| Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded | | |

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 11168 | Mound, Thetford | Monument |

A possible long barrow, visible as a slight mound on the parish boundary between Thetford and Soham.

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Mound

Long Barrow?

Neolithic - 4000 BC? to 2201 BC?

Building Materials/Evidence

Earthwork

Earthwork

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Probable)

Active

Original Record Number - 11168

Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 5378 7543

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. Mound at c TL/5378/7543. Possible long barrow or island emerging from fen ? Lies at kink of parish boundary of Soham and Thetford. Sketched. (R Palmer 16/01 /1989).Not on CCC overlay.

Sources

(1) Aerial Photograph: NMR APs, TL5375/2/98 - 99

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|--|-------------|
| 11177 | Field boundaries and tracks, Little Thetford | Monument |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Field Boundary
Trackway

Building Materials/Evidence

Cropmark
Cropmark

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Active

Original Record Number - 11177

Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 536 760

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. Probably recent field boundaries and tracks. (R Palmer 16/01/1989).

Sources

(1) Aerial Photograph: NMR APs, TL5376/3/91 - 95

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| | | |
|-------------------|--|--------------------|
| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
| CB14677 | Romano-British remains, Anglian Water pipeline | Monument |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Ditch Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD

Building Materials/Evidence

Sub Surface Deposit

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 53519 76372

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. A watching brief along the route of a pipeline revealed a single ditch, probably Romano-British, and thought to be part of a larger field system.

Sources

(1) Unpublished report: Edwards, D.N. 1996. An archaeological investigation along the route of the Anglian Water Pipeline between Little Thetford and Cawdle Fen. Cambridge Archaeological Unit Report 173

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities

ECB536 Watching brief along the Anglian Water pipeline, Little Thetford-Cawdle Fen, 1996 (Event - Intervention)

Associated Individuals/Organisations

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|--|-------------|
| CB15675 | Romano-British settlement, Little Thetford | Monument |

Excavations revealed a substantial settlement dating to the Romano-British period.

Classification

| Monument Types and Dates | | Building Materials/Evidence |
|--------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Settlement | Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD | Sub Surface Deposit |
| Farmstead? | Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD | |
| Ditch | Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD | Sub Surface Deposit |
| Tile Kiln | 2nd century AD to 3rd century AD - 101 AD to 300 AD | Find, Sub Surface Deposit |
| Inhumation | Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD | Sub Surface Deposit |

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Probable) Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 52824 76325

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. The archaeological features of a largely Romano-British settlement, probably a farmstead, were concentrated in the western part of the field. Numerous ditches, aligned NW-SE and NE-SW were interspersed with occasional pits or postholes. The excavated contexts produced a considerable bone assemblage, and a late pre-Roman Iron Age and Romano-British pottery group. The pottery evidence suggests that there was a focus of activity in the western part of the site in the C2nd-C1st BC. After this phase, which does not appear to extend very late in the pre-conquest period, there seems to have been a period of inactivity which was followed, probably not before the C2nd AD, by Roman activity of an uncertain type.
2. Excavation was carried out in the area of the Romano-British settlement, revealing a considerable density of archaeological features, including ring gullies, enclosure ditches, numerous pits and postholes, human skeletal remains and a tile-making kiln.
3. The Romano-British ditch system respects its Iron Age antecedents in many cases, though new areas too are enclosed; however, the general character and purpose of the system probably remained the same: drainage and boundary maintenance. There is a new straight axis running NW-SE off which many of the small linear gullies, sub-enclosures, tile-kiln and large square enclosures are aligned. Perhaps the most important discovery on the site, the tile kiln was a single-flued chamber with originally four pairs of arched cross-walls. Associated with this was a stoke pit in whose multiple fills lay huge quantities of roofing and structural tile fragments (including tegulae, imbrices, lydions, pedales and sequipedales). While the abandonment deposits contained C4th pottery, it is probable that the kiln's construction dates to the later C2nd or early C3rd AD.

Sources

- (1) Unpublished report: Gdaniec, K. 1994. Archaeological Investigations at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford, Ely, Cambridgeshire. Cambridge Archaeological Unit Report 111
- (2) Unpublished report: Hinman, M. 1995. Archaeological Excavations at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford, Ely, Cambridgeshire. Interim Report. Cambridge Archaeological Unit Report
- (3) Unpublished report: Lucas, G. and Hinman, M. 1996. Archaeological Excavations of an Iron Age Settlement and Romano-British Enclosures at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford, Ely, Cambridgeshire. Post-Excavation Assessment Report. Cambridge Archaeological Unit Report 194

Associated Finds

| Find Types and Dates | Object Material |
|--|-----------------|
| FCB12939 SHERD (Late Iron Age to 5th century Roman - 100 BC to 409 AD) | POTTERY |
| FCB12940 ANIMAL REMAINS (Late Iron Age - 100 BC to 42 AD) | BONE |
| FCB12941 ROOF TILE (2nd century AD to 4th century AD - 101 AD to 400 AD) | |

Associated Events/Activities

ECB1352 Evaluation at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford, 1994 (Event - Intervention)

ECB1353 Excavation at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford, 1995 (Event - Intervention)

Associated Individuals/Organisations

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| CB15676 | Iron Age Settlement, Little Thetford | Monument |

Excavations revealed a series of ring-gullies, ditches and postholes that date to the Iron Age.

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

| | | Building Materials/Evidence |
|------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Settlement | Iron Age - 800 BC to 42 AD | Sub Surface Deposit |
| Ditch | Iron Age - 800 BC to 42 AD | Sub Surface Deposit |
| Ring Ditch | Iron Age - 800 BC to 42 AD | Sub Surface Deposit |
| Pit | Iron Age - 800 BC to 42 AD | Sub Surface Deposit |
| Post Hole | Iron Age - 800 BC to 42 AD | Sub Surface Deposit |

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Probable) Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 52825 76316

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. The pottery evidence suggests that there was a focus of activity in the western part of the site in the C2nd-C1st BC. The Iron Age pottery is significant in this case since so few settlements have been excavated or found in this part of the Cambridgeshire fens. The date of the assemblage fits well with the generally late occupation of this landscape, it being the first time that technological processes had advanced sufficiently for local communities to adapt to the heavy soils, prone to waterlogging. The settlement represents one of the few that have been excavated dating from this period in this area of the fens allowing the examination of the lower slopes of the Isle of Ely.

2. The earliest activity on the site may date to the early Iron Age, but no features can be attributed to this period with any certainty. The earliest secure features on the site are a group of ring-gullies occupying the central part of the excavated area. Not all are contemporary and probably represent three or four phases of structures, but most only survive as segments of a once complete circuit. Almost all of the ring-gullies have daub / fired clay in their fills which would have come from the walls of such structures. The largest circuit, at over 15m is unique on the site and could have either had a more specialised function, or perhaps have been a large house of a wealthy or elite family in the settlement. Contemporary with the ring-gullies are a scatter of pits across the site. Some are evenly cut and deliberately backfilled with primary fills suggestive of cesspits. In contrast, a pit pair, on oval, the other elongated, are interesting for other reasons. Both appear to have been recut, and one had two vessels deposited at each of its ends as well as a rubbing stone at its western end. Noticeably this pit pair lie outside all the known Iron Age ditches as well as away from the main cluster of ring gullies, strongly suggestive of some form of ritual activity. Apart from the pits, the remaining Iron Age features consisted of linear ditches almost certainly acting as drainage and boundary markers. It appears that some of these ditches mark the limits of the compound.

3. A further report focusing on the Iron Age activity at the multi-phase site at Little Thetford. The site included an Iron Age settlement site overlaid by Romano-British agricultural/industrial activity which in turn had been truncated by medieval ridge and furrow. The Iron Age settlement at Watson's Lane appears to have been primarily an open farmstead dating to the 2nd - 1st century BC, but sited at the edge and terminal of an older boundary line dating to the Early Iron Age. The faunal and plant remains point to a rich, mixed economy with a primary emphasis on wheat crops and sheep/goat husbandry supplemented by barley, cattle and pig. Evidence points to full processing and consumption on site of both plant and animal products. Palynological evidence confirms this, indicating an open environment with, small numbers of trees and shrubs, with flora typical of a primarily pastoral habitat. Several phases of roundhouses and ditch maintenance are recorded but there does seem to be a major division into two broad divisions: the earliest sees the establishment of the settlement in the 1st/2nd century BC along the line of the old boundary ditch which possibly dates to the Early Iron Age. The second falls in the 1st century AD up to the Conquest period, and is marked by a new southern boundary ditch and a number of structures. These phases are primarily distinct in terms of the proportions of wheel-made pottery associated with the roundhouses and the southern ditch. Within this broad phasing, the individual roundhouses were grouped in pairs belonging to different phases; this grouping, which was based purely on stratigraphic, spatial and ceramic evidence, also suggests in every pair there is a larger primary structure and an associated smaller, ancillary building. A total of 8 definitive eaves-drip ring-gullies were excavated. None of the structures had any surviving associated floor surfaces or hearths. In general, finds density

appears to be a product of the size of the gully/catchment area with more in the larger ones.

Sources

- (1) Unpublished report: Hinman, M. 1995. Archaeological Excavations at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford, Ely, Cambridgeshire. Interim Report. Cambridge Archaeological Unit Report
 - (2) Unpublished report: Lucas, G. and Hinman, M. 1996. Archaeological Excavations of an Iron Age Settlement and Romano-British Enclosures at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford, Ely, Cambridgeshire. Post-Excavation Assessment Report. Cambridge Archaeological Unit Report 194
 - (3) Unpublished report: Lucas, G. 1998. The Iron Age Settlement at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford. Full report detailing all activity on the site: CAU 194. Cambridge Archaeological Unit Report 259
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Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

FCB12943 ANIMAL REMAINS (Iron Age - 800 BC to 42 AD)
FCB12944 SHERD (Iron Age - 800 BC to 42 AD)

Object Material

BONE
POTTERY

Associated Events/Activities

ECB1353 Excavation at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford, 1995 (Event - Intervention)

Associated Individuals/Organisations

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| MCB16252 | Finds scatter, Little Thetford | Find Spot |

Lithics scatter with Mesolithic, Neolithic & Bronze Age material. Also bronze axe, Anglo-Saxon brooch, post-medieval coin and gun flints

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Building Materials/Evidence

| | |
|----------|--|
| Findspot | Early Mesolithic to Late Bronze Age - 10000 BC to 701 BC |
| Findspot | Early Saxon - 410 AD to 650 AD |
| Findspot | Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD |

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 5350 7649

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. Lithics scatter with Mesolithic, Neolithic & Bronze Age material: narrow bladelets, tranchet arrowhead, small hollow-based arrowhead. Also ?Late Neo/Early Bronze Age scrapers.
Bronze Age socketed axe
Anglo-Saxon bronze brooch gilt with iron pin
Coin of Elizabeth I (Late) - silver 3 farthings
Two gun flints

Sources

(1) Index: T Reynolds Cambridgeshire SMR Index Card.

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

Object Material

| | | |
|----------|--|--------|
| FCB14241 | LITHIC IMPLEMENT (Small quantity) (Early Mesolithic to Late Bronze Age - 10000 BC to 701 BC) | STONE |
| FCB14242 | SOCKETED AXEHEAD (1) (Bronze Age - 2500 BC to 701 BC) | BRONZE |
| FCB14243 | BROOCH (Fragment) (Early Saxon - 410 AD to 650 AD) | BRONZE |
| FCB14244 | UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT (Small quantity) (Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD) | |

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------|
| MCB16253 | Flint scatter, Little Thetford | Find Spot |
| Scatter of Late Neolithic/Early Bronze Age flints | | |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

| Monument Types and Dates | Building Materials/Evidence |
|--------------------------|---|
| Findspot | Late Neolithic to Early Bronze Age - 3000 BC to 1501 BC |

Building Materials/Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

| | |
|----------------------------|--------|
| SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) | Active |
|----------------------------|--------|

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 5278 7700

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. Scatter of Late Neolithic/Early Bronze Age flints including many scrapers, flakes and the occasional core

Sources

(1) Index: T Reynolds Cambridgeshire SMR Index Card.

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

| Find Types and Dates | Object Material |
|--|-----------------|
| FCB14245 LITHIC IMPLEMENT (Small quantity) (Late Neolithic to Early Bronze Age - 3000 BC to 1501 BC) | FLINT |

Object Material

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------|
| MCB16254 | Roman pottery, Little Thetford | Find Spot |
| Surface scatter of Roman pottery sherds | | |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Findspot Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD

Building Materials/Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 5278 7700

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. Surface scatter of Roman pottery sherds, mainly greyware storage vessels, but also a smaller amount of Nene Valley and Samian wares

Sources

(1) Index: T Reynolds Cambridgeshire SMR Index Card.

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

FCB14246 SHERD (Medium quantity) (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)

Object Material

POTTERY

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| MCB16255 | Lithics scatter, Little Thetford | Find Spot |
| Bladelets and Scrapers found | | |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

| Monument Types and Dates | Building Materials/Evidence |
|--------------------------|--|
| Findspot | Early Mesolithic to Late Bronze Age - 10000 BC to 701 BC |

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

| | |
|----------------------------|--------|
| SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) | Active |
|----------------------------|--------|

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 5205 7735

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. Two phases of activity and finds:
1) Mesolithic/Neolithic cores, blades and scrapers
2) Late Neolithic/Early Bronze Age scrapers and flakes
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Sources

- (1) Index: T Reynolds Cambridgeshire SMR Index Card.
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Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

| Find Types and Dates | Object Material |
|---|-----------------|
| FCB14247 LITHIC IMPLEMENT (Small quantity) (Early Mesolithic to Early Bronze Age - 10000 BC to 1501 BC) | FLINT |

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------------------------|--|-------------|
| MCB16256 | Roman pottery scatter, Little Thetford | Find Spot |
| Extensive scatter of pottery | | |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Findspot Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD

Building Materials/Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 5208 7727

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. Extensive scatter of Roman pottery, mainly grey wares. Also some Nene Valley wares, Oxford ware and storage jars. Virtually no Samian (2 or 3 sherds only)

Sources

(1) Index: T Reynolds Cambridgeshire SMR Index Card.

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

FCB14248 SHERD (Large quantity) (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)

Object Material

POTTERY

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| MCB16257 | Saxon brooches, Little Thetford | Find Spot |
| Two Early Saxon brooches | | |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Findspot Early Saxon - 410 AD to 650 AD

Building Materials/Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 519 772

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. Two Early Saxon brooches, both bronze. Pictures on source

Sources

(1) Unpublished document: J Plouviez 1998. Suffolk County Council Finds Recording Form.

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

FCB14249 BROOCH (2) (Early Saxon - 410 AD to 650 AD)

Object Material

BRONZE

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|---|--|-------------|
| MCB16258 | Flint scatter and miscellaneous objects, Little Thetford | Find Spot |
| Flint scatter and post-medieval objects | | |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Findspot Late Prehistoric - 4000 BC to 42 AD

Building Materials/Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 5255 7710

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. 14 pieces burnt flint. Worked flints included 1 small blade (patinated), 3 blades, 2 flakes (unpatinated), 3 scrapers (one large - patinated).

Also post-medieval finds: 2 lead weights, 1 rectangular bronze buckle, 1 shoe button. Other unidentified fragments

Sources

(1) Unpublished document: J Plouviez 1998. Suffolk County Council Finds Recording Form.

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

Object Material

FCB14250 LITHIC IMPLEMENT (Medium quantity) (Late Prehistoric - 4000 BC to 42 AD) FLINT

FCB14251 UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT (Small quantity) (Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD)

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|-------------------------------|---|-------------|
| MCB16259 | Worked flint and Roman pottery scatter, Little Thetford | Find Spot |
| Flint blade and Roman pottery | | |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Findspot Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD

Building Materials/Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 51999 77298

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. Single flint blade, undated. Possible (but doubtful) retouching.
Collection of Roman pottery including base and body sherds of black/brown Nene Valley colour coat ware, and 44 sherds of grey ware, including one base and seven rim sherds, and 36 body sherds. Forms include plain bowl, thickened rim bowl and jars.

Sources

(1) Unpublished document: J Plouviez 1998. Suffolk County Council Finds Recording Form.

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

FCB14252 SHERD (Medium quantity) (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)
FCB14253 LITHIC IMPLEMENT (1)

Object Material

POTTERY
FLINT

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|--|----------------------------------|-------------|
| MCB16260 | Pottery scatter, Little Thetford | Find Spot |
| Pottery scatter, mainly Roman but also other periods | | |

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Findspot Early Iron Age to Medieval - 800 BC to 1539 AD

Building Materials/Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference TL 5275 7700

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. Pottery scatter:
Iron Age - 3 body sherds, flint gritted
Roman - Oxford ware (mortarium & rim sherds), Nene Valley colour coat (rim, base and body sherds), Horningsea greyware (1 large rim - storage), Greyware (c.65 misc. sherds)
Early Saxon - 10 sherds (3 rim, 1 base) various fabrics
medieval - one base, abraded

Sources

(1) Unpublished document: J Plouviez 1998. Suffolk County Council Finds Recording Form.

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

| Find Types and Dates | Object Material |
|--|-----------------|
| FCB14254 SHERD (Small quantity) (Iron Age - 800 BC to 42 AD) | POTTERY |
| FCB14255 SHERD (Medium quantity) (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD) | POTTERY |
| FCB14256 SHERD (Small quantity) (Early Saxon - 410 AD to 650 AD) | POTTERY |
| FCB14257 SHERD (1) (Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD) | POTTERY |

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|--|---|------------------------------------|
| MCB17202 | Baptist Chapel, Little Thetford | Building |
| Classification | | |
| Monument Types and Dates | | Building Materials/Evidence |
| Baptist Chapel | 19th century to Modern - 1801 AD to 2050 AD | Extant Building |
| Monument Status and Scores | | |
| Associated Legal Designations - None recorded | | |
| Other Statuses and Cross-References | | |
| SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) | | Active |
| Ratings and Scorings - None recorded | | |
| Location | | |
| National Grid Reference | TL 5329 7620 | |
| Administrative Areas | | |
| Civil Parish | Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire | |
| Address/Historic Names - None recorded | | |
| Description | | |
| 1. A daughter chapel of the Stretham Baptist Church, built in 1842, and rebuilt in 1867. | | |
| Sources | | |
| (1) | Bibliographic reference: Pugh, R.B. (ed) 1953. The Victoria County History of Cambridgeshire and the Isle of Ely. Volume 4. Reprinted 1967, 158 | |
| Finds - None recorded | | |
| Associated Events/Activities - None recorded | | |
| Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded | | |

| HER Number | Site Name | Record Type |
|------------|---|-------------|
| MCB17652 | Medieval glass bottle, between Stretham and Little Thetford | Find Spot |

A medieval glass medicine bottle was found between Stretham and Little Thetford.

Classification

Monument Types and Dates

Findspot Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD

Building Materials/Evidence

Monument Status and Scores

Associated Legal Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely) Active

Ratings and Scorings - None recorded

Location

National Grid Reference Not displayed

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Stretham, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Civil Parish Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire

Address/Historic Names - None recorded

Description

1. A medieval glass medicine bottle was reported as being found between Stretham and Little Thetford, possibly by Mrs M. Young.

Sources

(1) Unpublished document: Mike Young 17/5/2000. List of sites for the parish of Stretham.

Associated Finds

Find Types and Dates

FCB17265 DRUG BOTTLE (Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD)

Object Material

GLASS

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded

Cambridgeshire County Council Designation List Report

31/07/2009

| DesigUID | Name | Type | Grade | Preferred Ref | NGR | Assigned | Revoked |
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| DCB1353 | Horseshoes | Listed Building | II | 49483 | TL 53177 76252 | 19/08/1988 | |
| Description | <p>LITTLE THETFORD GREEN HILL TL 5376 (North-West Side) 21/8 No. 2 (Horseshoes) II Cottage. C17 and C18 extension to south west end. Brick, painted, and longstraw thatch roof with a ridge stack and tumbled north gable parapet on kneelers. One storey and attic. Three dormers each with a sixteen pane hung sashes. Four ground floor similar hung sashes and one casement. Doorway to centre bay. The bay to the south-west is an addition and at the rear is a thatched wing of one storey. The interior has exposed ceiling beams laid flat. Listing NGR: TL5317776252</p> | | | | | | |
| DCB818 | April Cottage | Listed Building | II | 49484 | TL 53124 76332 | 19/08/1988 | |
| Description | <p>LITTLE THETFORD MAIN STREET TL 5376 (West Side) 21/9 No. 6 (April Cottage) II Cottage. Early C18. Brick, Flemish bond, painted and half hipped longstraw thatch with ridge stack. One storey and attic. One later dormer. Segmental arches to three original window openings, two with later hung sashes. The original doorway in a similar arch is now blocked. Listing NGR: TL5312476332</p> | | | | | | |
| DCB1219 | Church of St George | Listed Building | II* | 49485 | TL 53131 76306 | 05/02/1952 | |
| Description | <p>LITTLE THETFORD MAIN STREET TL 5376 (West Side) 21/10 Church of St George 5.2.52 - 11* Parish church. Late C14, mostly rebuilt C19. Fieldstone and limestone rubble and dressed limestone with plain tiled roof having end parapets. Plan of nave and chancel. West gable end has a gabled double bellcote C19, of two, two-centred arches. The west window is also C19 and of three trefoil lights. The North and South walls of the nave have, in each wall, one window of three cinquefoil lights in ogee arches and square head. The tracery is of clunch and the mullion and architrave of limestone, possibly indicating an earlier restoration. The north porch is C19. Gabled, brick and rubblestone. Two centred outer arch of two moulded orders. The east gable of the nave was rebuilt in 1665 in narrow local brick (similar to that of Manor Farm, Wentworth, q.v.). The chancel has in the north wall two windows, each of two cinquefoil lights in four centred arch. The restored east window of three cinquefoil lights has an original label with mask stops. The windows in the south wall have been restored c.1980. Interior: Roof of C19 collar rafter type. C19 two centred chancel arch of two moulded orders, the inner on engaged colonettes. The font is late C14-early C15. Tapering limestone octagonal bowl with masks to each of four panels. The stem is much restored but has fragments of blind tracery panels. Pevsner: Buildings of England, p471 V.C.H.: Cambs., Vol. IV Listing NGR: TL5313176306</p> | | | | | | |
| DCB7827 | The Old Post Office | Listed Building | II | 502187 | TL 5310 7634 | 19/06/2007 | |
| Description | <p>LITTLE THETFORD 1244/0/10003 MAIN STREET 19-JUN-07 Little Thetford 4 The Old Post Office GV II Cottage, C17, timber-frame and brick, rendered, with a recently laid, plain-tiled and slate, gabled roof. North gable wall is constructed of gault brick incorporating a stack and chimney, with tumbling-in. Modern brick plinth. Rectangular in plan. Single storey with an attic and with single-storey outshot to the rear. Central door to street front behind a side-entered, modern porch, with a window on each side and gabled dormers above. Modern window frames throughout. Kitchen and bathroom in rear outshot under a slate-covered, cat-slide. Modern roof lights, close to the eaves, to the rear. INTERIOR: Some exposed light framing at ground floor level, though much concealed behind plasterwork and some replaced with brick. The ground floor has light ceiling joists, with trimmers at south and north end indicating possible former access through the floor. Large fireplace to the south end with timber bressumer and opening for bread oven, now bricked up and the oven lost. Modern fireplace set in. Door in the west wall gives access to rear kitchen and bathroom, and modern stairs. Kitchen with a section of very modest framing, reused timber for a purlin and modern fixtures and fittings. The back door has thin C17/C18 strap hinges. The cupboard door adjacent to the ground-floor fireplace has one thin C17/C18 strap hinge. Ground-floor door opening to stair is</p> | | | | | | |

above a section of plinth with empty mortices for studs. This may be re-used but, along with a mortice in the main rear wall, filled with a broken tenon, may indicate an early outshot.

At upper floor level there are two rooms, divided by the landing, with exposed framing of light scantling, largely complete. The battened doors are modern creations from earlier timbers. Fireplace in south wall opened up but concealed by recent panelling. The roof is a simple, rustic, coupled rafter roof with occasional yoke pieces and ridge pole.

HISTORY:

Little Thetford is a hamlet of Stretham for ecclesiastical purposes, but a separate civil parish with its own Council. The modern name is derived from 'Theod-ford', from which the marshy nature of the original settlement until the C17 drainage of the Fens, can be inferred.

The Old Post Office is C17 in date and was built as a timber-framed cottage. The house appears on the Ordnance Survey map of 1887 by which time it had been extended to the rear and there was an addition to the north, now lost. The rear extension was probably that which stands today. It is likely to have been a service addition which had a small stack, perhaps for a copper. The stack has now been replaced with a modern red-brick chimney. The house was then weather-boarded and stone clad. More recently a porch has been added to the front and the roof has been recovered with plain-tiles, replacing pantiles.

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANCE:

The Old Post Office is a C17 vernacular house constructed of timber frame and brick. The plan form would appear to have been a single ground floor room heated from a fireplace at the south end and this is clearly discernable today. Fixtures and fittings have not survived and the window frames, porch and roof coverings are modern. Nevertheless, the roof and timber framing, especially at first-floor level remain largely intact, and fireplaces survive at both levels, although the upper one is concealed. This building is indicative of vernacular buildings erected around the C17 which characterise many of England's rural settlements.

SOURCES:

'South Witchford Hundred: Stretham and Thetford', A History of the County of Cambridge and the Isle of Ely: Volume 4: City of Ely; Ely, N. and S. Witchford and Wisbech Hundreds (2002), pp. 151-59.

URL: <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.asp>

Cambridgeshire County Council Historic Environment Record - Fieldwork List

31/07/2009

| Event Ref | Event Name | Organisation | Dates | Parish | NGR |
|--------------------|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------|---|--|
| ECB824 | Excavation of Barway Causeway, 1934 | Cambridge Antiquarian Society | 1934 | Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire | TL 5373 7565 |
| Description | R1 - The existence of a causeway here was deduced by Lethbridge and Major Fowler. In 1932, piles from the causeway were causing the farmer difficulties with ploughing, so he decided to remove them. He uprooted a large number of great stakes, which he temporarily replaced in their respective holes, projecting above the ground, to show the course of the causeway, and had them photographed. Later excavation by Lethbridge took place near the river bank and revealed that the causeway was made of brushwood kept in place by occasional beams and stakes. Above this was a well-marked layer of fine sand. A large pot-sherd of late BA / early IA type was found within the brushwood and a bronze ring was similarly located a short distance away. Objects of similar date were later found in the middle of the causeway. A large potsherd of late BA / early IA type was found within the brushwood (of a BA causeway). | | | | |
| Sources | Excavation archive: Lethbridge, T. C. 1934. Barway Causeway 1934. | | | | Location: Cambridge University Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology; |
| | Article in serial: Lethbridge, T.C. 1935. Investigation of the Ancient Causeway in the Fen between Fordy and Little Thetford, Cambridgeshire. PCAS 35: 86-9. , (photo, ill) | | | | Location: HER PCAS |
| ECB1352 | Evaluation at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford, 1994 | Cambridge Archaeological Unit | 15/07/1994 - 22/07/1994 | Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire | TL 52923 76309 |
| Description | An evaluation was carried out of the 3.7ha site in advance of residential development. Evidence of a largely Romano-British settlement site was found at the west end of the field. Numerous ditches, aligned NW-SE and NE-SW were interspersed with occasional pits or postholes. Some features were masked by furrow or lower ridge soils. The excavated contexts produced a considerable bone assemblage, and a late Iron Age and Roman pottery group. The medieval cultivation remains were also surveyed. Recording 12 ridges across the field from east to west. | | | | |
| Sources | Unpublished report: Gdaniec, K. and Butler, R. 1994. Preliminary Archaeological Research for Watson's Lane Development, Little Thetford, Ely, Cambridgeshire. Cambridge Archaeological Unit Report 107 | | | | Location: HER parish |
| | Unpublished report: Gdaniec, K. 1994. Archaeological Investigations at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford, Ely, Cambridgeshire. Cambridge Archaeological Unit Report 111 | | | | Location: HER A-Z |
| ECB1353 | Excavation at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford, 1995 | Cambridge Archaeological Unit | 03/07/1995 - 22/09/1995 | Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire | TL 52839 76305 |
| Description | Excavation was carried out in the area of the Romano-British settlement, revealing a considerable density of archaeological features, including ring gullies, enclosure ditches, numerous pits and postholes, human skeletal remains and a tile-making kiln. | | | | |
| Sources | Unpublished report: Lucas, G. 1998. The Iron Age Settlement at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford. Full report detailing all activity on the site: CAU 194. Cambridge Archaeological Unit Report 259 | | | | Location: HER A-Z |
| | Unpublished report: Lucas, G. and Hinman, M. 1996. Archaeological Excavations of an Iron Age Settlement and Romano-British Enclosures at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford, Ely, Cambridgeshire. Post-Excavation Assessment Report. Cambridge Archaeological Unit Report 194 | | | | Location: HER A-Z |
| | Unpublished report: Hinman, M. 1995. Archaeological Excavations at Watson's Lane, Little Thetford, Ely, Cambridgeshire. Interim Report. Cambridge Archaeological Unit Report | | | | Location: HER A-Z |
| ECB536 | Watching brief along the Anglian Water pipeline, Little Thetford-Cawdle Fen, 1996 | Cambridge Archaeological Unit | 24/04/1996 - 08/05/1996 | Ely, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire, Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire | TL 53696 77343 |
| Description | Trenches 1 & 2 - no significant archaeological features, but a number of possible earthworks relating to Post-Medieval ponds or similar features. Trench 3 - the southern side of a lode was revealed, probably of medieval or later date, as well as 2 clusters of posts and stakes. No archaeological features were found in Trench 4. Trench 5 - a dense concentration of Late Neolithic lithics was found buried beneath peat. Trench 6 - a single ditch feature, probably Romano-British, apparently part of a larger field system. | | | | |
| Sources | Unpublished report: Edwards, D.N. 1996. An archaeological investigation along the route of the Anglian Water Pipeline between Little Thetford and Cawdle Fen. Cambridge Archaeological Unit Report 173 | | | | Location: HER 2+ parishes |

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| ECB288 | Evaluation at Holt Fen, Little Thetford, 2000 | CCC AFU | 19/12/2000 | Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire | TL 53392 76020 |
| Description | No archaeological remains other than a single modern pit were encountered. It appears that the site area was marginal to settlement, probably being too wet for occupation. | | | | |
| Sources | Unpublished report: Hatton, A. and Kemp, S. 2001. Land off Holt Fen Little Thetford: An Archaeological Evaluation. Cambridgeshire County Council Archaeological Field Unit Report B080 | | | | Location: HER A-Z |
| ECB2990 | Evaluation at The Wyches, Little Thetford, 2008 | Oxford Archaeology East | 09/07/2008 | Thetford, East Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire | TL 53025 76611 |
| Description | A single evaluation trench was excavated within the footprint of proposed new changing rooms. No archaeological remains were revealed. | | | | |
| Sources | Unpublished report: Thatcher, C. 2008. The Wyches, Little Thetford, Cambridgeshire. Archaeological Evaluation Report. Oxford Archaeology East Report 1044 | | | | Location: DC |