

Site Diary

Site code: SBDR14 TP06

Use this page at the end of each day to record a short summary of everyone on your team's thoughts about the day and the dig.

Summary of day 1 Date: 19/7/14

Began at 9am, raining on & off throughout day but had shelter of small tent over pit. By 4pm rain so hard could no longer sieve or called it a day. At around 10-15cm uncovered a well sorted cobbled surface (2B) cut through by what seemed to be a service trench (2B). Hereafter treated the area under the cobbles as "B" & the trench "A" separately.

Summary of day 2 Date: 20/7/14

Continued down A, B, keeping finds separate. Hit large drain pipe at 65cm in A, and v. large boulders in B. Finished 2pm.

Digging an Archaeological Test Pit Excavation Record

Date of excavation: 19.7.14 / 20.7.14. Site code/settlement name: SBDR 14
Test-pit number: TP 06 Test-pit address: SOUDEN COTTAGE
Test-pit team names:
1. Brian Cherry 3. Janette Carnley
2. Hannah Carnley 4. Alan Mills
5. Nigel Bailey 6. Pat Chamberlain

Test Pit Location Map

Site code: **SBDRI4** Test Pit number: **06**

Site measured by: **Nigel Bailey**

Map drawn by: **Hannah Camley**

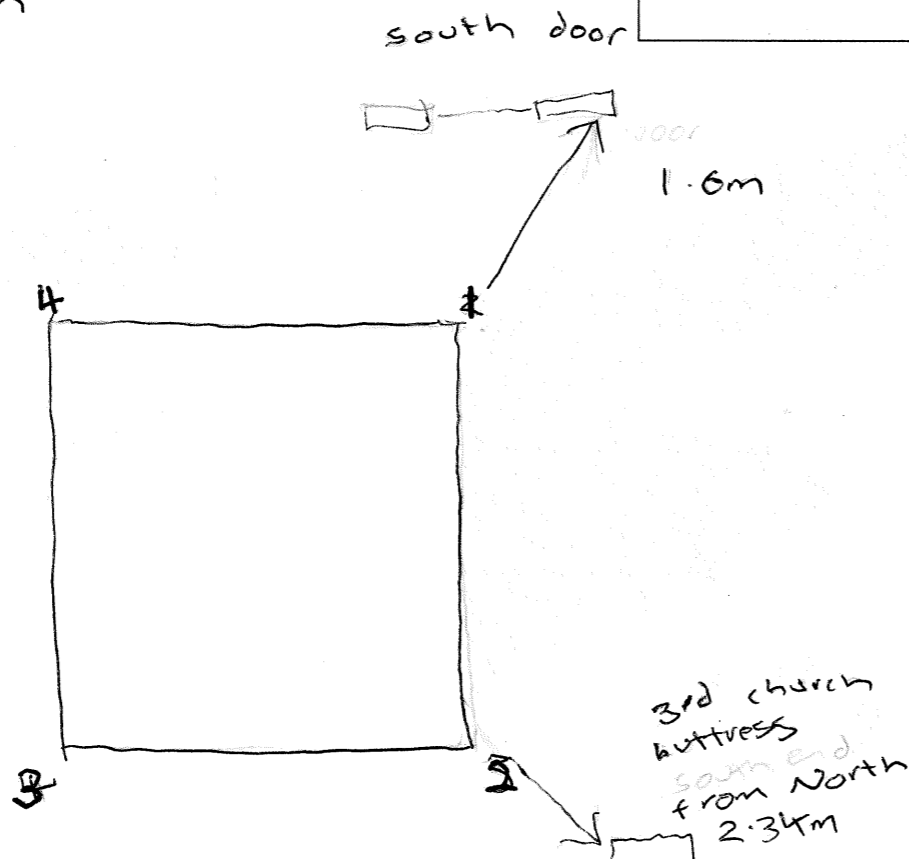
Test pit location recording checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Measure and draw map of area around your test pit with North marked.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Add written description of test-pit location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

1. Make a measured, labelled plan of the unexcavated surface the test pit, showing where it is in relation to features such as houses, boundaries, roads, walls etc which are marked on your Ordnance Survey map. Include lines showing the exact distances from your test pit to permanently identifiable points nearby such as buildings or field corners. Show your test pit as a square with the corners numbered 1-4, to correlate with the numbers on each context plan in the **Context Record Sheets** in this **Record Booklet**.

2. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your map:



Driveway between Sowden Cottage and Congregational Chapel, Reeth

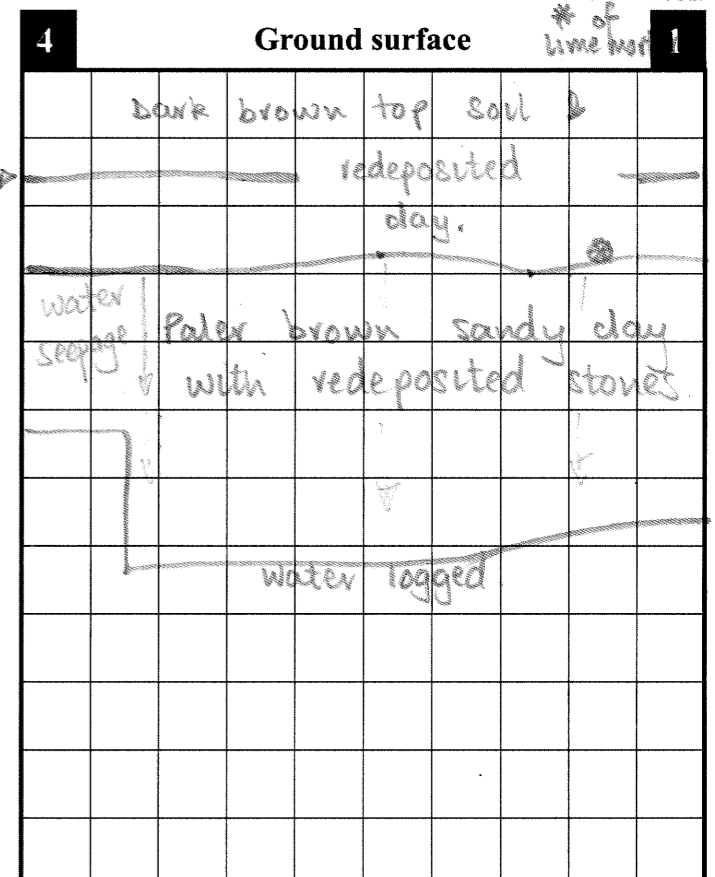
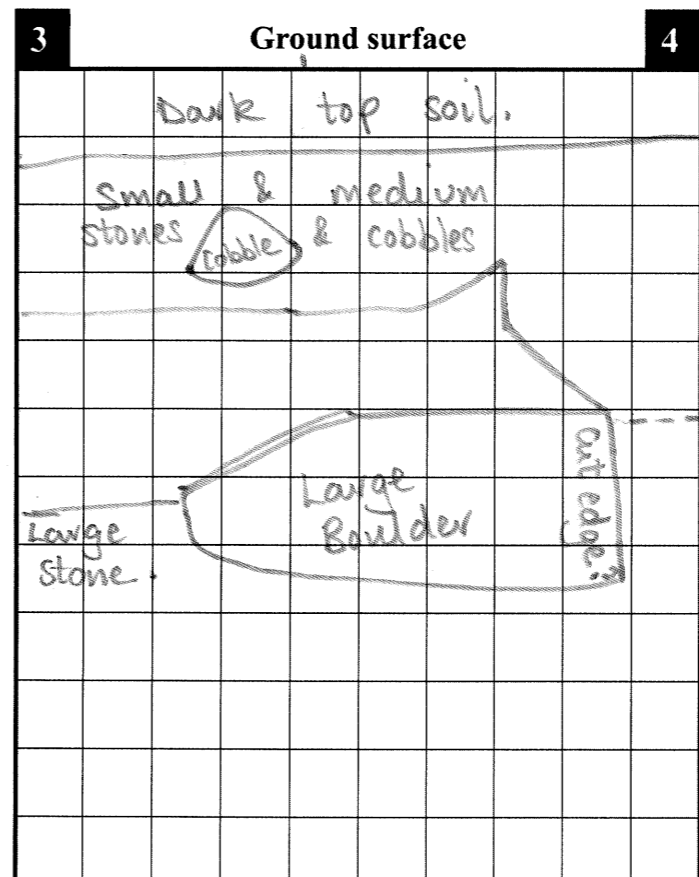
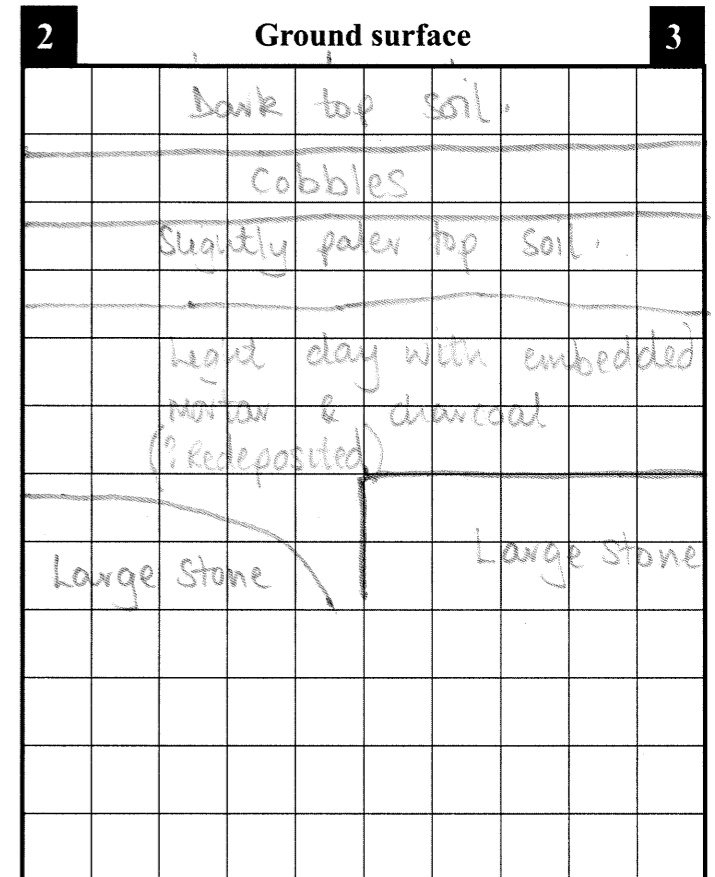
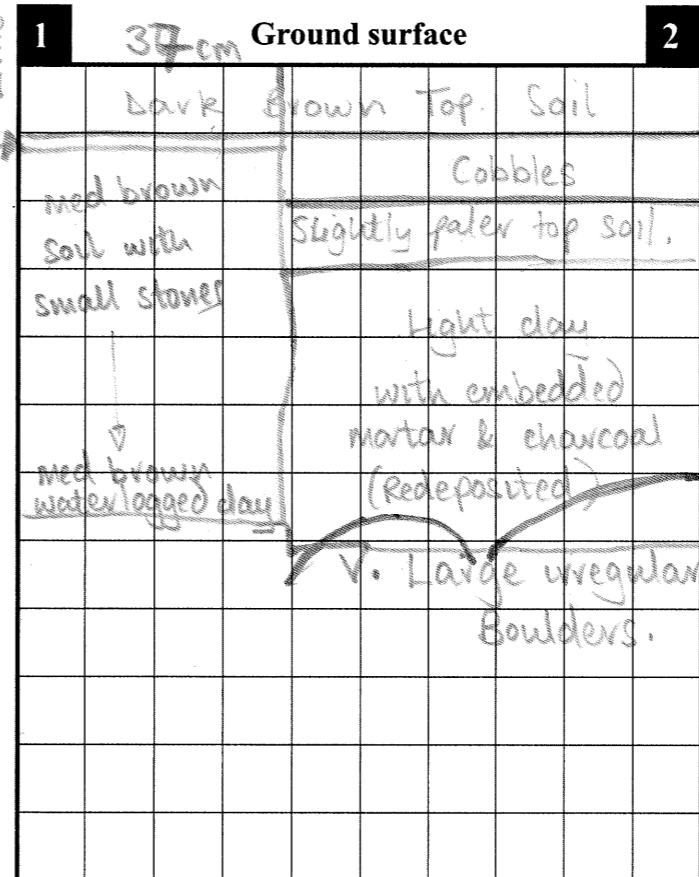


3. Describe where your test pit is, adding any notes which help explain this to someone who doesn't know your site:

Section Drawings

Site code: **SBDRI4** Test Pit number: **06**

Lime Mortar



Context Record Sheet

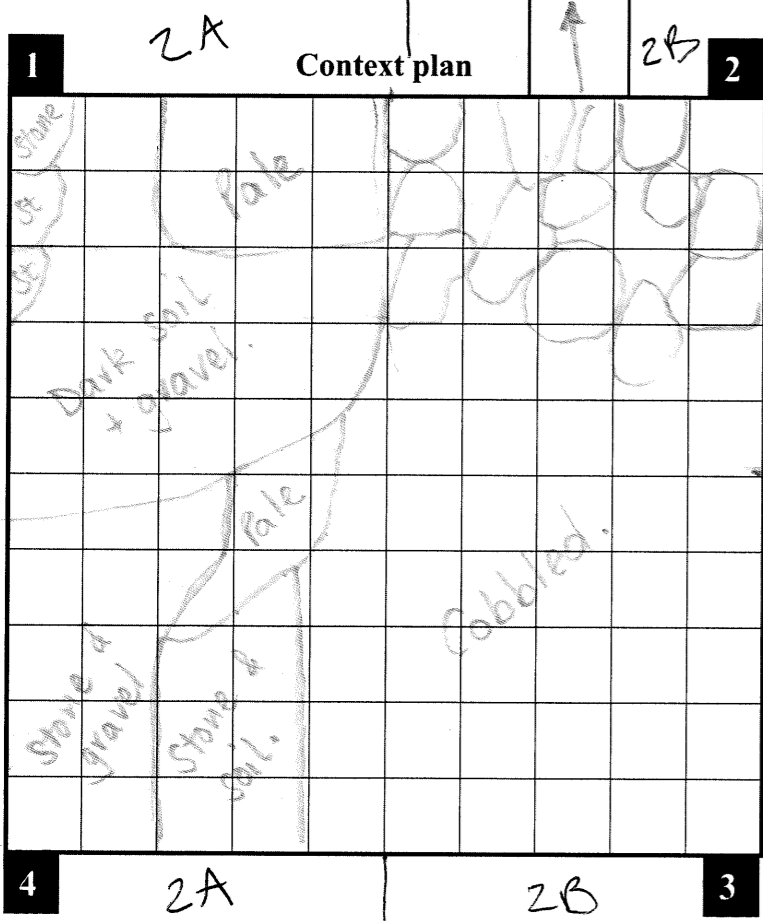
Site code: **SBDRI4** Test Pit number: **06** Context number: **2**

Context recorded by: **Janette Carnley**

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?
1 **12cm** 2 **10cm** 3 **12cm** 4 **15cm**

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:



4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:
**Described as above.
Pale motared type areas to W.
Cobbled surface to E.**

Recording task checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer before starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of top of context before starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 100%
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	
Fill in all of this Context Record Sheet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percent-age?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Stone		% 70			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sand		% 5		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Soil		% 20		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Clay		% 5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Charcoal	Trace	% 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		%				
		%				

6. What colour was this context?: **dark brown**

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).

cobbled road? Covering more than 1/2 of pit, under previous rough cobbling.

2A	2B
2 red earthenware	2 red earthenware
1 coal	2 pale blue ceramic
3 decorated ceramic	4 white decorated ceramic
5 white ceramic	6 white plain ceramic

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Context Record Sheet

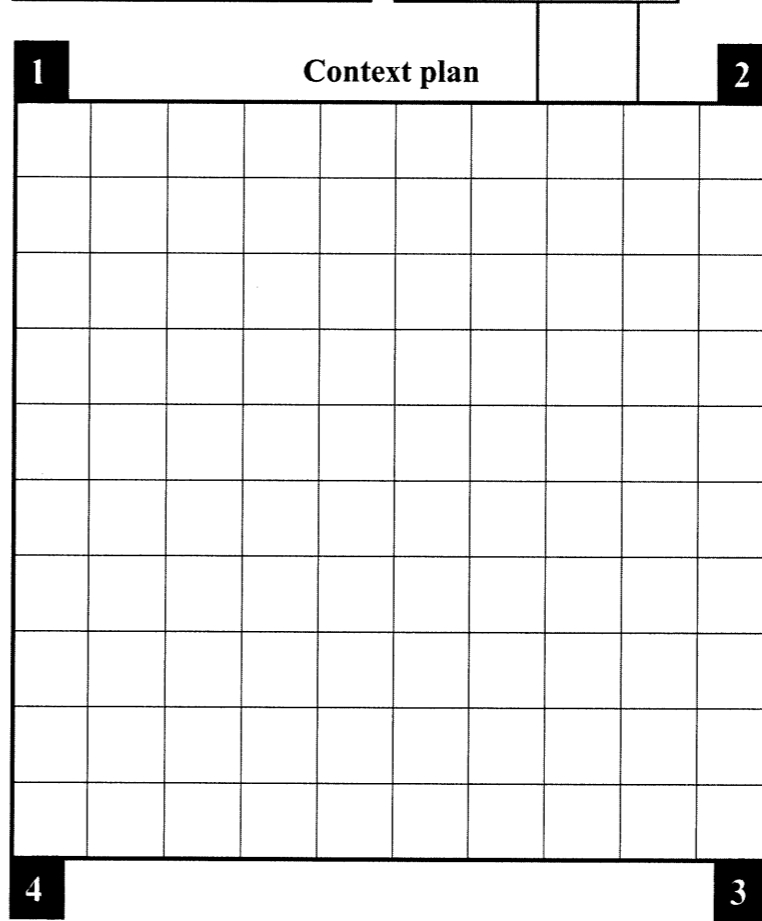
Site code: Test Pit number: Context number:

Context recorded by:

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?
1 2 3 4

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:



4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:

Recording task checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer before starting to dig it	
Draw plan of top of context before starting to dig it	
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	<input type="checkbox"/> %
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	
Fill in all of this Context Record Sheet	

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percent-age?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Stone		%				
Sand		%				
Soil		%				
Clay		%				
Charcoal		%				
		%				
		%				

6. What colour was this context?:

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).

Context Record Sheet

Site code: **SBDRI4** Test Pit number: **06** Context number: **4**

Context recorded by: **Janette Carnley.**

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?
1 **40** 2 **30** 3 **40** 4 **40**

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:

Context plan

4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:
See previous sheet. (3a) Small pieces of lime mortar scattered in soil-clay.

Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer before starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of top of context before starting to dig it	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	<input type="checkbox"/> %
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fill in all of this Context Record Sheet	<input type="checkbox"/>

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone		% 45	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Sand		% 10	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil		% 30	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay		% 15	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal	Trace	%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large

6. What colour was this context?: **Dark brown soil, yellow sandy in places & small areas of white.**

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).
4a. See previous sheet (3a) + small amount fire waste
3a, 4a got mixed

4b - Void.

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Context Record Sheet

Site code: Test Pit number: Context number:

Context recorded by:

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?
1 2 3 4

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:

Context plan

4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:

Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer before starting to dig it	<input type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of top of context before starting to dig it	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	<input type="checkbox"/> %
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fill in all of this Context Record Sheet	<input type="checkbox"/>

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Sand		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large

6. What colour was this context?:

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).

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Context Record Sheet

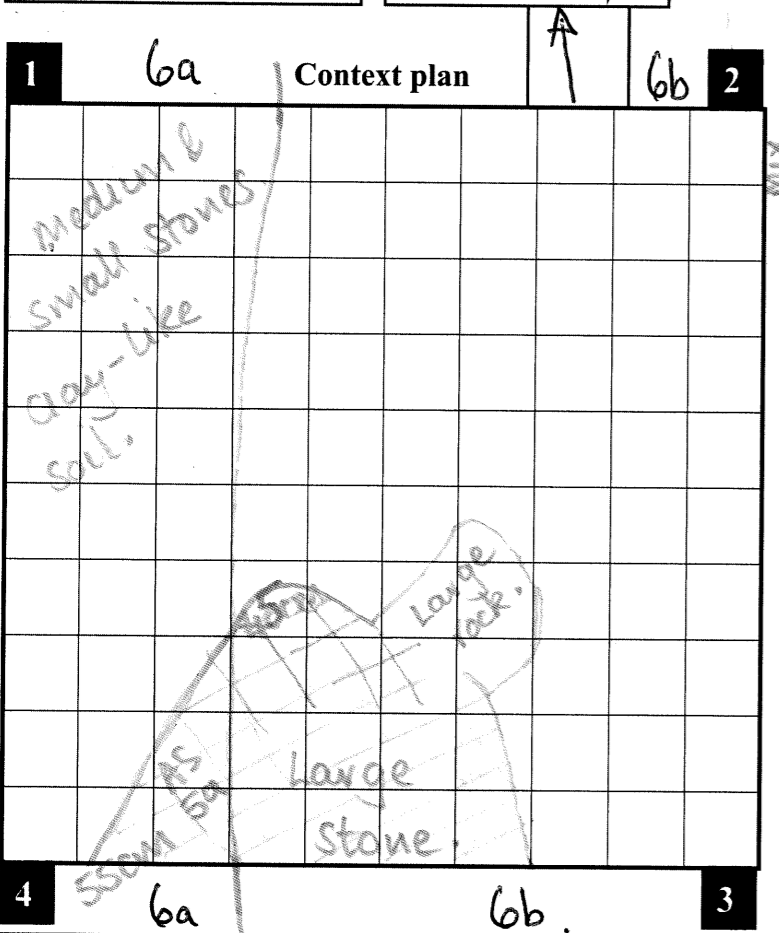
Site code: **SBDRI4** Test Pit number: **06** Context number: **6**

Context recorded by: **Janette Carnley.**

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?
 1 **65cm** 2 **60cm** 3 **60cm** 4 **65cm**

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:



4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:
 a/a + small sandy deposits
 Larger random stones. Sandy-clay mix soil- (mid-brown colour). More clumps of sandy-clay Evidence of charcoal (fragments) & blackened stones. More lime mortar.

Recording task checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer before starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of top of context before starting to dig it	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	<input type="checkbox"/> %
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fill in all of this Context Record Sheet	<input type="checkbox"/>

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone		% 35	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Sand		% 14	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil		% 30	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay		% 20	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal	Trace +	%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Lime mortar		% 1	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large

6. What colour was this context?:

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).
 6a.
 6b.
 Chunks of lime mortar
 Lots of silvery-specked stone.
 1 piece ? tile/stone.
 Rock with charcoal attached
 1 piece charcoal.
 2 pieces ?
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 Fire waste

Context Record Sheet

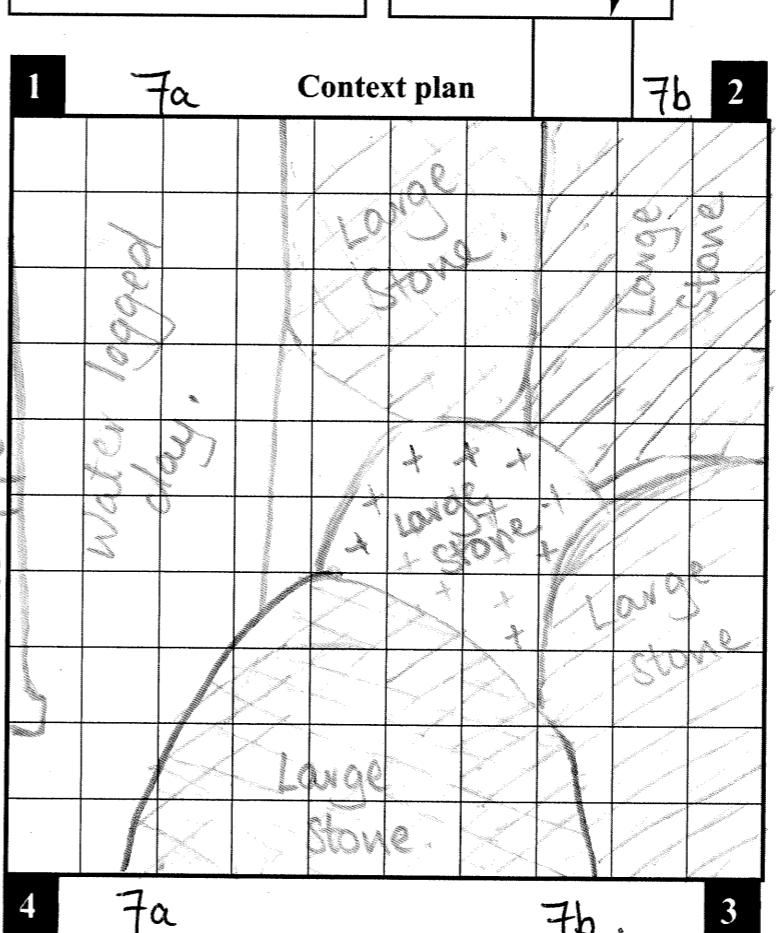
Site code: **SBDRI4** Test Pit number: **06** Context number: **7.**

Context recorded by: **Janette Carnley.**

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?
 1 **65cm** 2 **70cm** 3 **70cm** 4 **65cm**

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:



4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:
 Saturated clay-like soil with sandy deposits.
 Very large boulders overlapping & sealing base.
 Abandoned at

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Task	Tick when completed
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Draw plan of top of context before starting to dig it	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	<input type="checkbox"/> %
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fill in all of this Context Record Sheet	<input type="checkbox"/>

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone	Trace	% 90%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sand		% 15%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay	85%	% 10%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal	Trace	% Trace	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Lime mortar		% Trace	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large

6. What colour was this context?:
 Yellow-pale brown. Large boulders.

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).
 7a.
 Void.
 7b.
 5 pieces lime mortar
 1 piece cream ceramic.
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