

Site Diary

Site
code:

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:

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Summary of day 2

Date:

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Digging an Archaeological Test Pit Excavation Record

Date of excavation: 6 JUNE 14

Site code/settlement name: SEDR14

Test-pit number: 20

Test-pit address: The Green.

Test-pit team names:

1.

3.

2.

4.

Test Pit Location Map

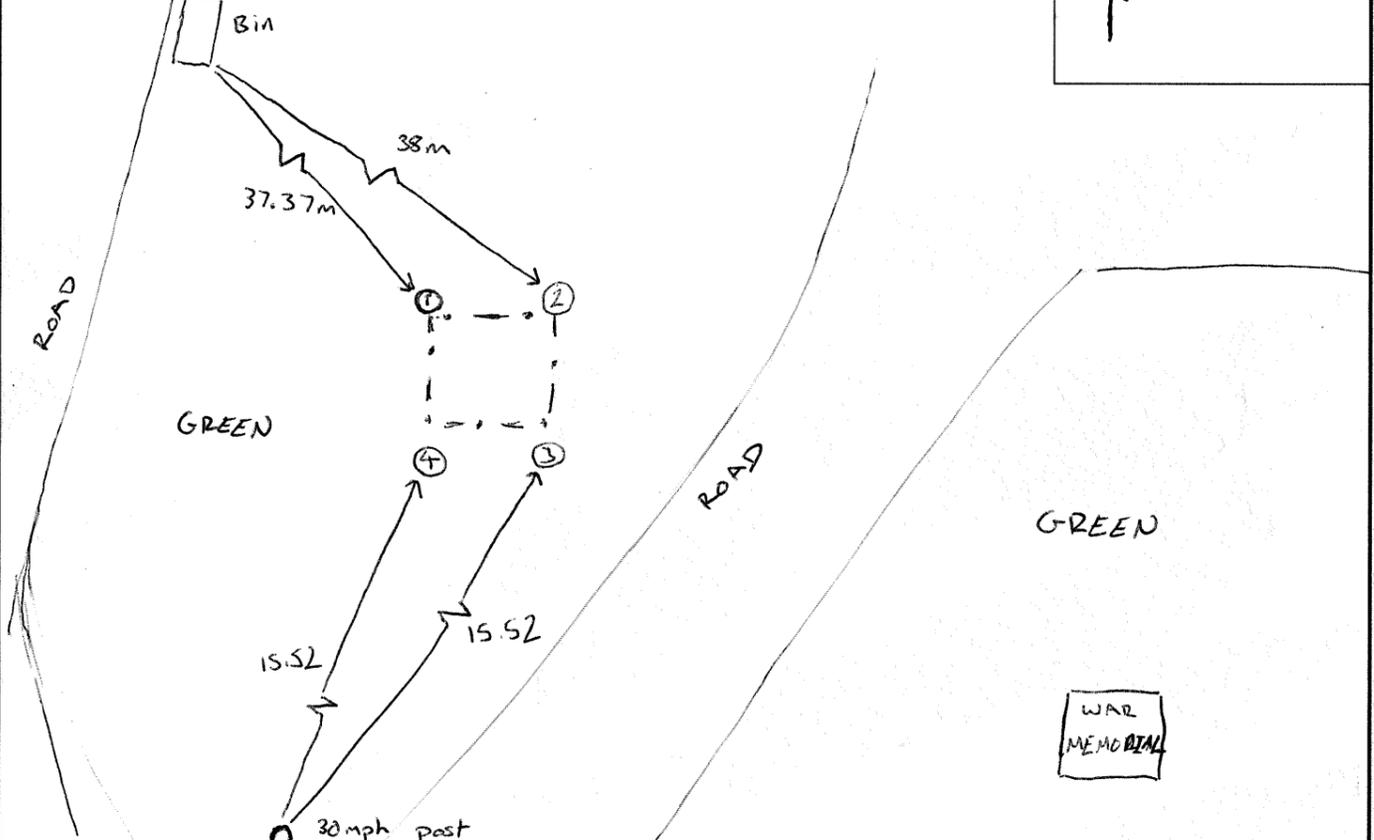
Site code: **SBD 214** Test Pit number: **20**

Site measured by: **JAMES + ROB.**

Map drawn by: **S. SPRY**

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.

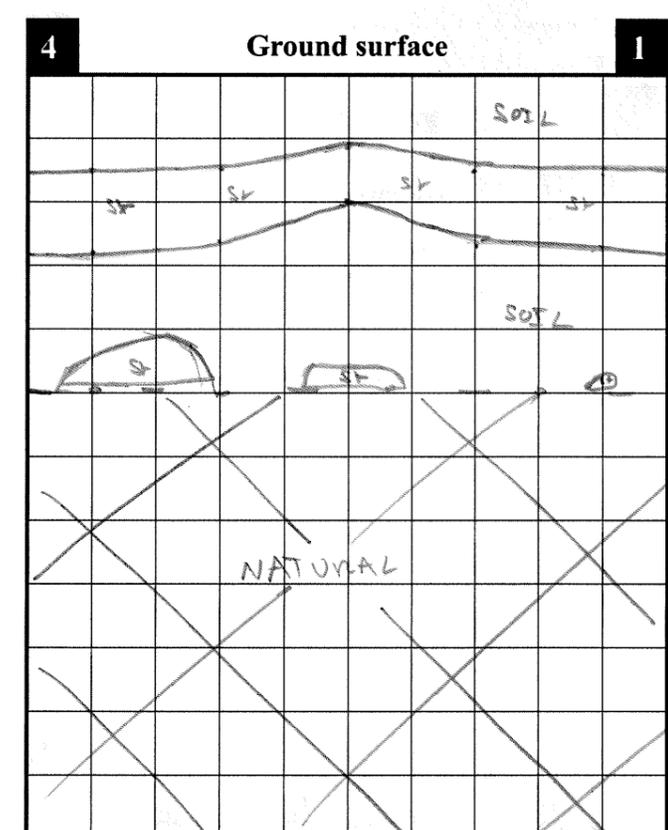
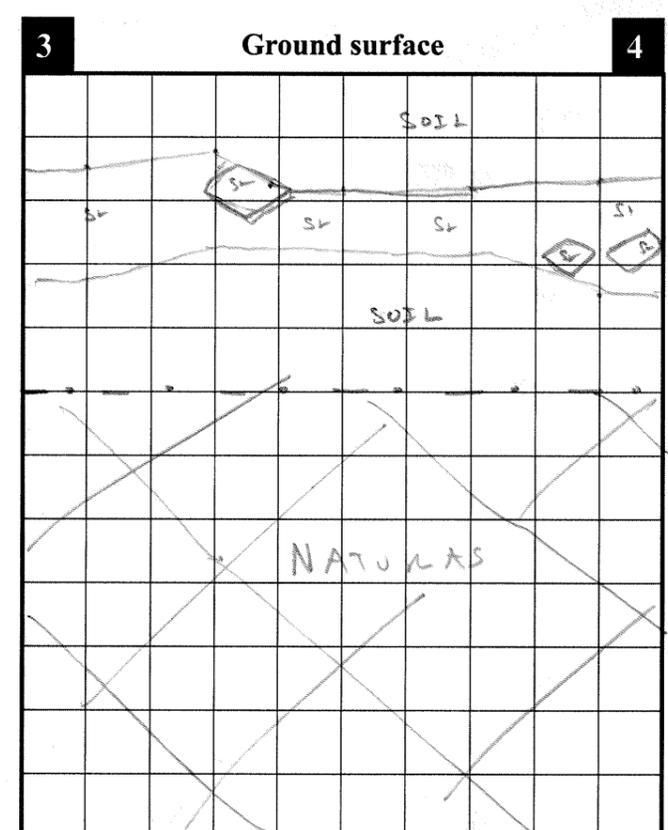
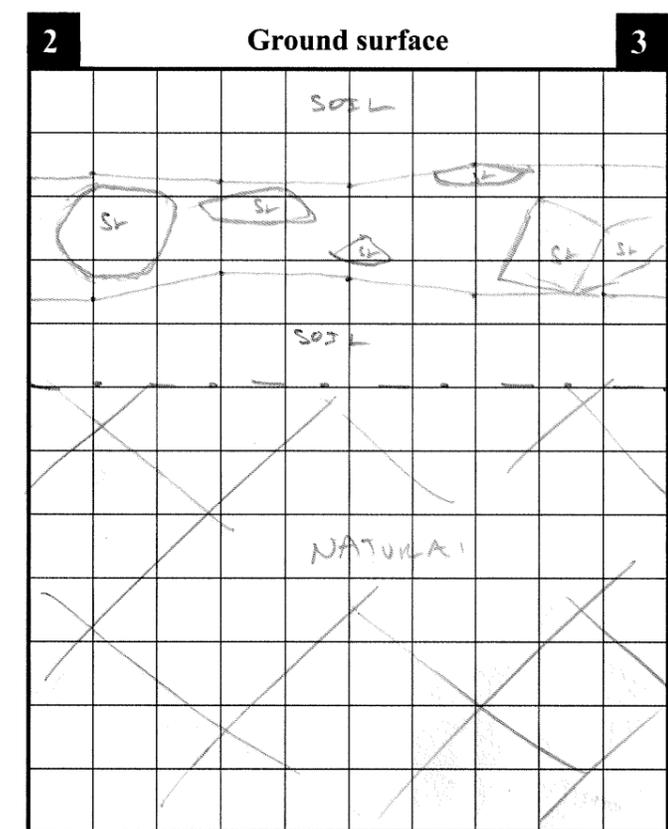
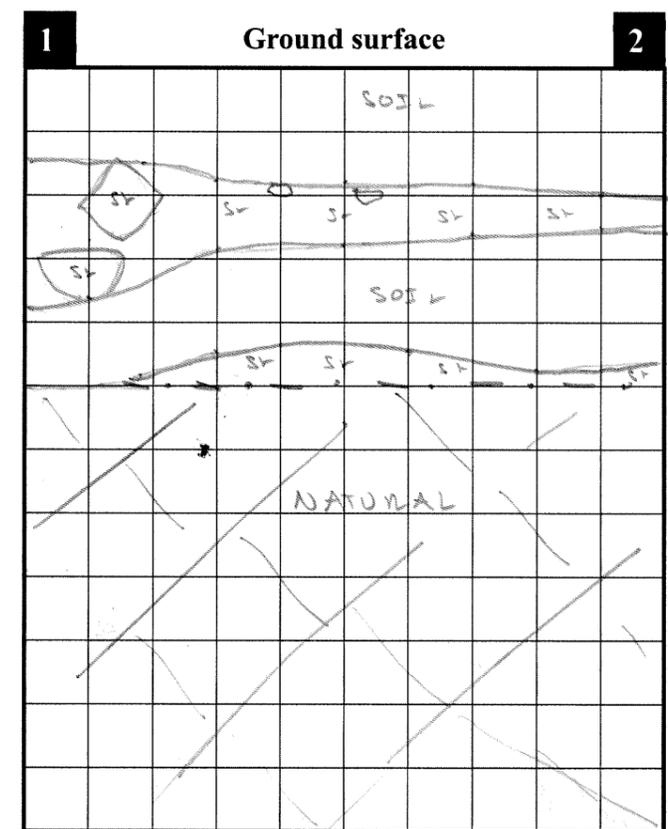


2. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your map:

3. Describe where your test pit is, adding any notes which help explain this to someone who doesn't know your site:
 "Middle" green section. Towards south end of the area.
 Running directly N-S. In the centre of the E-W axis.

Section Drawings

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FINAL Context Record Sheet

Site code: **SBDP14** Test Pit number: **20** Context number: **7**

Context recorded by: **S. SPRY**

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 **60cm** 2 **60cm** 3 **60cm** 4 **60cm**

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:

1 Final (unexcavated) context plan

4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:
NATURAL CLAY
STONES COME OUT FROM SECTION.

Final Context Recording task checklist	
Task (complete all these before starting to backfill)	Tick when completed
Photograph surface of bottom of test pit	
Draw plan of bottom of test pit	
Complete section drawings for all 4 sides of your test pit	
Ensure all finds are clean and in clearly labelled bags	
Fill in all sections on this Final Context Recording Sheet	

6. Did you excavate your test pit to natural? If not, explain why you stopped digging.
YES

7. Use this space for your conclusions about how well your test-pit excavation went, what you think it revealed, any technical problems you encountered which may have affected the results, and any other thoughts that might be useful when writing up your test-pit excavation:

Context Record Sheet

Site code: **SBDP14** Test Pit number: **20** Context number: **1**

Context recorded by: **S. SPRY**

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 **0cm** 2 **0cm** 3 **0cm** 4 **0cm**

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:

1 Context plan

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

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)	100 %
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Fill in all of this Context Record Sheet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

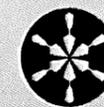
5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)		
			Flecks	Small	Med
Stone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	%	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sand	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	%	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soil	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	% 99	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	%	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Charcoal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	%	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		%	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		%	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. What colour was this context?: **(2)**

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).
Modern (late 20th) coin,
plastic, glass, nail.
99% top soil

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Context Record Sheet

Site code: **SBD1214** Test Pit number: **20** Context number: **4**

Context recorded by: **J. SPRY**

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 30cm 2 30cm 3 30cm 4 30cm

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:
**Remain of rubble surface from context 3.
 Soil beneath.**

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)	100 %
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone	Y	% 25	Flecks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Med	Large
Sand	N	%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil	Y	% 80	Flecks	Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Med	Large
Clay	Y	% 5	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal	Y	% 72	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large

6. What colour was this context?: **(3)**

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).

**Clay pipe shaft.
 ceramic
 nails & staples
 Bone -> long bones, sheep?
 cow tooth, MB.
 Small pieces of coal.**

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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:

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)	%
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	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: 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										
1										2
4										3

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)	%
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	Percentage?	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).

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Context Record Sheet

Site code: SBD1214 Test Pit number: 20 Context number: 5

Context recorded by: S.S.P.L.Y

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 cm 2 40 cm 3 40 cm 4 40 cm

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										
1										2
4										3

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

▨ = Pottery
Remains of cobble surface coming out from sections.
Soil surface, small pottery frags.
NOT NATURAL.

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)	%
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	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Stone	8	%				
Sand	N	%				
Soil	80	%				
Clay	>1	%				
Charcoal	>1	%				
		%				
		%				

6. What colour was this context?: 3

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).

Ceramic → Medieval
Animal bone + tooth
Nails
clay pipe shaft
Plaster + mortar frags.

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Context Record Sheet

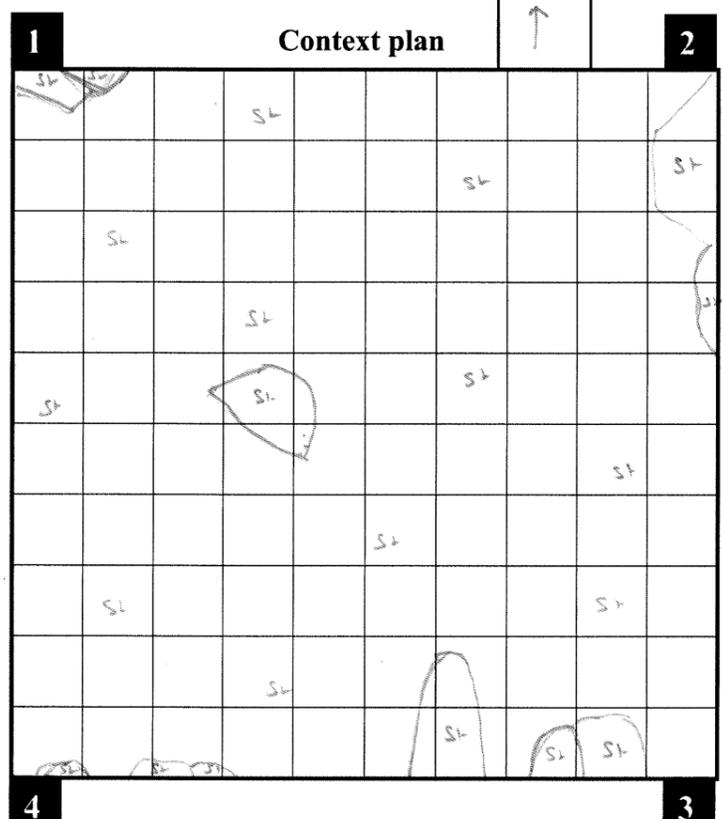
Site code: **SBD214** Test Pit number: **20** Context number: **6**

Context recorded by: **S. SPRY**

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 **50cm** 2 **50cm** 3 **50cm** 4 **50cm**

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:
New cobble surface. Not well or evenly laid -> appears to be old surface, since compacted downward re-laid. All small/small-medium cobbles

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)	100 %
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone	Y	% 60	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Sand	N	%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil	Y	%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay	Y	% > 1	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal	N	%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large

6. What colour was this context?: **(3)**

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).

- Nails**
- Clay pipe shuff**
- Medieval ceramic**
- Mortar frags.**

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Context Record Sheet

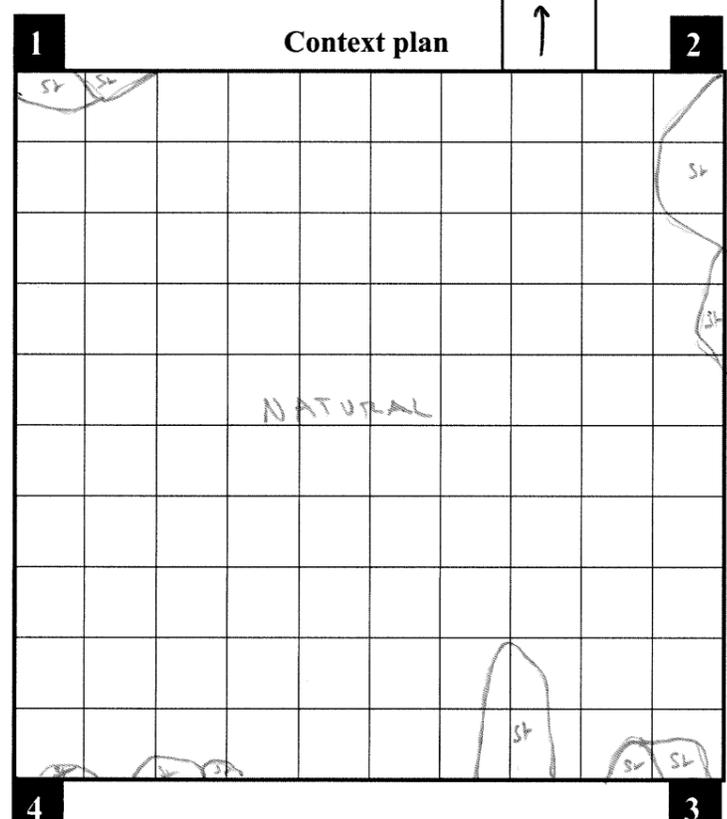
Site code: **SBD214** Test Pit number: **20** Context number: **7**

Context recorded by: **S. SPRY**

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 **60cm** 2 **60cm** 3 **60cm** 4 **60cm**

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:

Natural clay.
*** Duplicate of final sheet.**

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)	N/A %
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	N/A
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	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)**

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).

N/A

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