

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:

Summary of day 2

Date:

Digging an Archaeological Test Pit Excavation Record

Date of excavation: 20.7.14

Site code/settlement name: SBDR14

Test-pit number: TP 34

Test-pit address: GREEN PIT 9

Test-pit team names:

1.

3.

2.

4.

FINAL 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:

1
2

Final (unexcavated) context plan

4

3

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

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

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

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

1
2

Context plan

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	<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	Large
Stone		%	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sand		%	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soil	<i>Y/100</i>	<i>% 100</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clay		%	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Charcoal		%	<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"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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).

*1 jam pot cover slip paper
5 plastic firework fuse covers
metal "wire" 20cm
plastic fragment
1 bone "
1 nail "
metal foil wrapper
5p coin 1991
5 centime 1979
" " 1968
glass Angouleme*

1 x base of shotgun reloading tool.

Continued on back pages? yes/no

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:

1

Context plan

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:
Mainly soil together with cobbles + stones (sandstone)

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)	100 %
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	Y	% 25		✓	✓	
Sand	N	%				
Soil	✓	% 75		✓		
Clay	N	%				
Charcoal	N	%				
		%				
		%				

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).
*slag
 clays (2? worked) X
 12 (butchered) bone
 5 pipe stem
 coal
 1916 penny
 metal button
 3r glass
 1 terracotta tile fragment
 24 pottery (20th c)
 1 Staffordshire slipware pastured*

Continued on back pages? yes/no

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:

1

Context plan

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).

Continued on back pages? yes/no

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 30 2 30 3 30 4 30

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:

compact soil, with gravel appearing N/w corner / S/E corner

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)			
Stone	Y	% 20	Flecks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Med	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large
Sand		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil	Y	% 80	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal	Y	%	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large

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).

x 3 slag
5 bone fragments
5x clay pipe
4 pottery

Continued on back pages? yes/no

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	<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)	%
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).

Continued on back pages? yes/no

Context Record Sheet

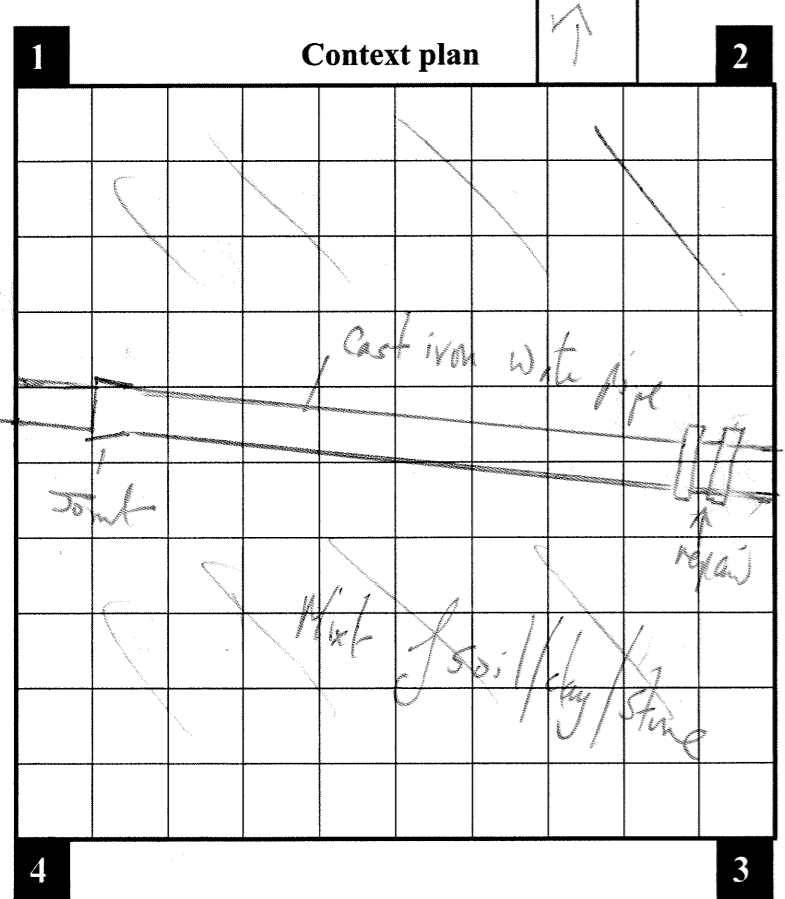
Site code: **SRDR14** Test Pit number: **34** Context number: **2 1/2**

Context recorded by: **D Brooks**

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:
Running east-west across the context was a ca 50mm cast iron water pipe. From direction probably linked to pump at east. Pump dated 1868

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"/> %
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		%	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).
(This section is crossed out with a large X)

Continued on back pages? yes/no

Context Record Sheet

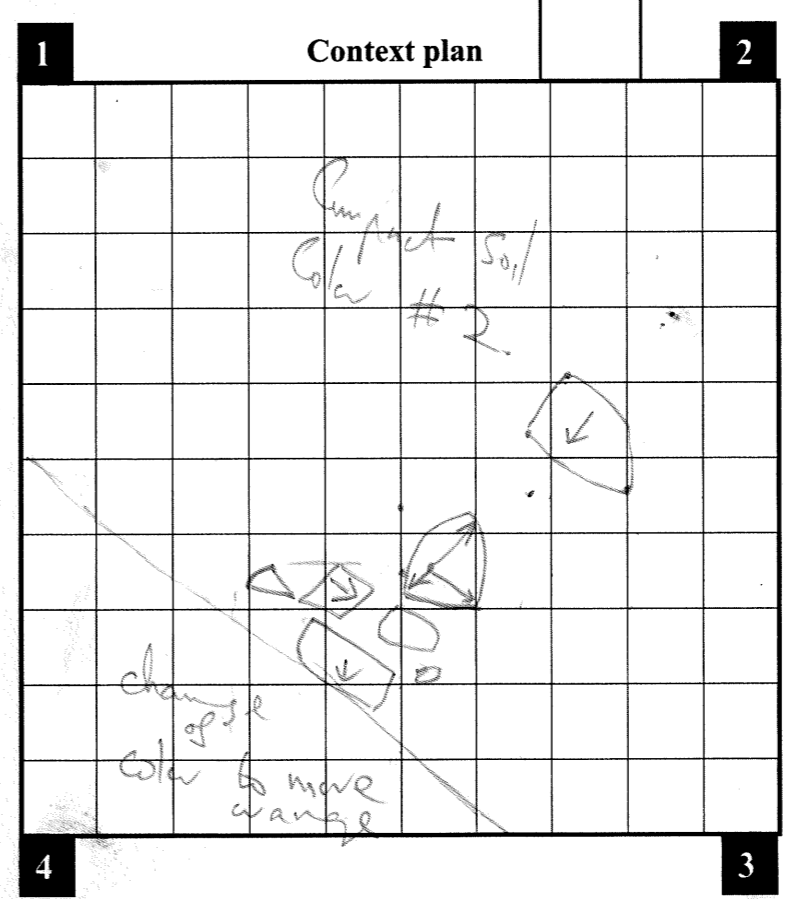
Site code: **SRDR14** Test Pit number: **34** Context number: **5**

Context recorded by: **D Brooks**

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 **40** 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:



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

largely soil + some gravel with be large stones drawn

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	<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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	% 25	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Sand		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	% 75	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?: **Mix of 3+4**

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).
 chert x
 coal x
 1 bone fragment
 1 animal tooth
 2 pottery fragments

Continued on back pages? yes/no

Context Record Sheet

Site code: **SPDR14** Test Pit number: **34** Context number: **6**

Context recorded by: **D Brooks**

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:

Context plan

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

(Empty space for notes)

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	Y	% 25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sand		%	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soil	Y	% 30	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clay	Y	% 45	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Charcoal		%	<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?: **Mixt 3+4**

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).
fragments:
1 bone
1 glass
1 pipe base & ear of corn decoration
6 pottery

Continued on back pages? yes/no

Context Record Sheet

Site code: **SPDR** Test Pit number: **34** Context number: **7**

Context recorded by: **D Brooks**

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

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:

(Empty space for notes)

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	Y	%	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sand		%	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soil	Y	%	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clay	Y	%	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Charcoal		%	<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?:

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).
fragments -
1 pipe stem
5 pottery

Continued on back pages? yes/no