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Test Pit Locational Map

Site code: RGP Test Pit number: 2 Context number: 0

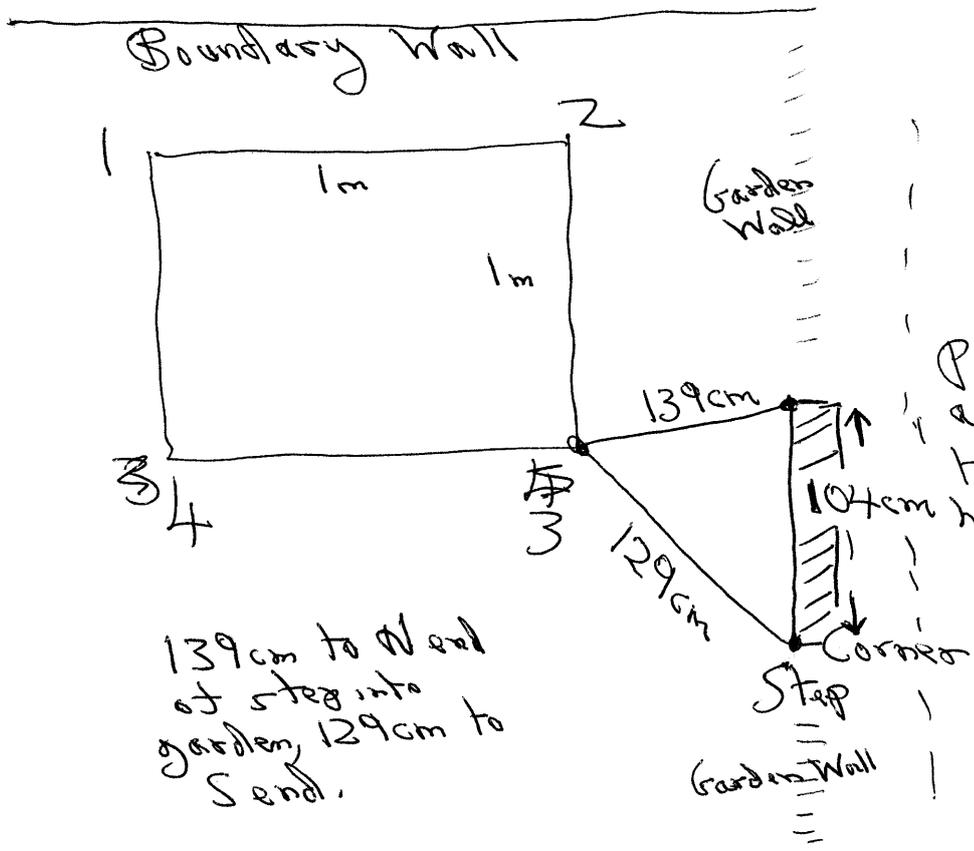
Site measured by: Team

Map drawn by: Alan Mills

Test pit location recording checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Measure and draw map of area around your test pit with North marked.	✓
Add written description of test-pit location	✓

1. Make a measured, labelled map (not to scale) of the place your test pit is in, 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 the **Context Record Sheets** in this **Record Booklet**.

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



139cm to end of step into garden, 129cm to S end.

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

Soil In Joany Little's garden, rear of 11 Silver St, Reeth.

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Context Record Sheet

Site code: RGT Test Pit number: 2 Context number: 2

Context recorded by: Alan Mills

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 11 2 13 3 12 4 12

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

8

7

Soil, becoming more
gritty

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	Percent-age?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Stone		%				
Sand		%				
Soil	✓	% 100		✓		
Clay		%				
Charcoal		%				
		%				
		%				

6. What colour was this context?: Dark brown as SMTAG context 1

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).

~~As~~ Much same as Context 1
 Pipestem modern rubbish material
 Plastic/bakelite
 rhino toy, bone
 pottery, metal, charcoal
 slag, charcoal.

Context Record Sheet

Site code: RGP Test Pit number: 2 Context number: 3

Context recorded by: Alan Mills

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 25 2 24 3 22 4 22

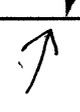
2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

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

1

Context plan

2



Soil as before

4

3

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	✓
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	Percent-age?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Stone		%				
Sand		%				
Soil	✓	% 100		✓		
Clay		%				
Charcoal		%				
		%				
		%				

6. What colour was this context?: Brown dark

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).

Still clayey soil
 Fewer than previous contexts
 Pigstern, animal bone, metal, pot, glass, coal charcoal.

Context Record Sheet

Site code:

R68

Test Pit number:

2

Context number:

4

Context recorded by:

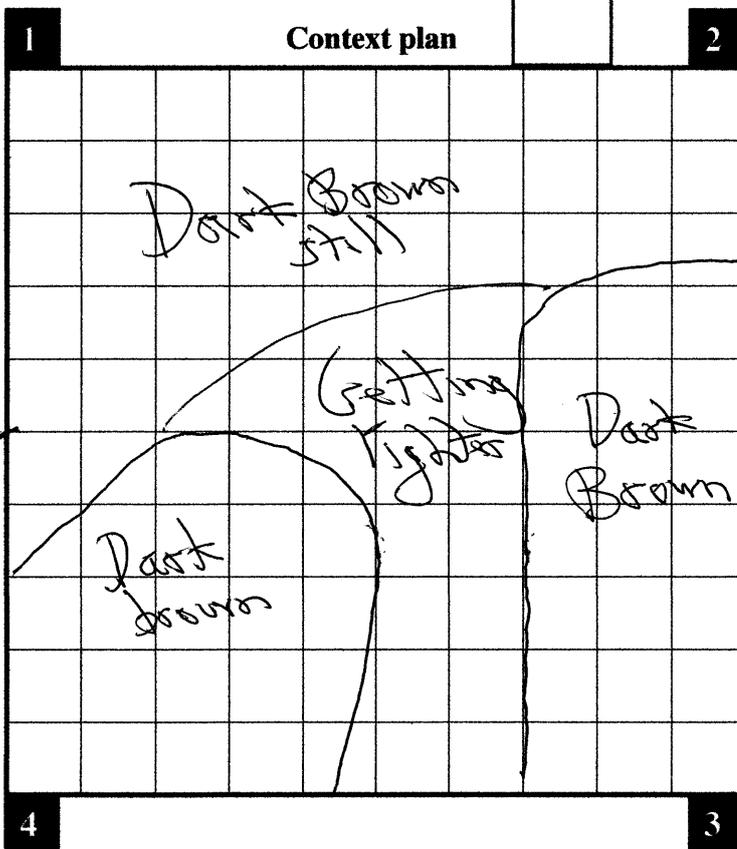
Alan Mills

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 34 2 34 3 34 4 35

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 thin layer of charcoal at the top of this context

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	✓	% 100	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?:

See opposite

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).

Inclusions: charcoal coal, particularly in lighter area.

~~Very~~ Fewer Finds
Pot, glass, pipe stems
more coal, charcoal



Context Record Sheet

Site code: R68 Test Pit number: 2 Context number: 5

Context recorded by: Alan Mills

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 45 2 45 3 44 4 44

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

Soil

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)			
Stone		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Sand		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil	✓	% 100	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).

Fewer still
 Pot, charcoal (lot)
 animal bone, glass
 mortar, clay pipe bits

Continued on back pages? yes/no



Context Record Sheet

Site code: R68 Test Pit number: 2 Context number: 7

Context recorded by: Alan Mills

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 67 2 67 3 65 4 67

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

FINAL Context Record Sheet

Site code: RGP Test Pit number: 2 Context number: 9

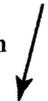
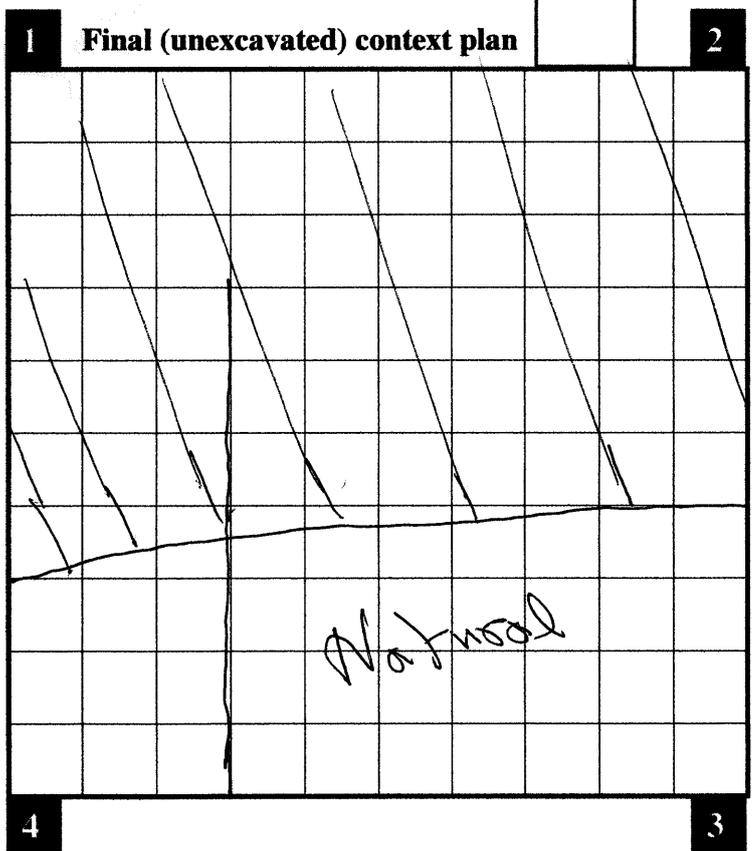
Context recorded by: Allen Mills

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 76 2 76 3 90 4 93

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:

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	✓
Take soil samples from side of test pit for each excavated context and place each sample in a clearly labelled bag	X
Complete section drawings for all 4 sides of your test pit	2 sides
Ensure all finds are in clearly labelled bags	✓
Fill in all sections on this Final Context Recording Sheet	✓

6. List the context numbers for which you've taken soil samples:

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:

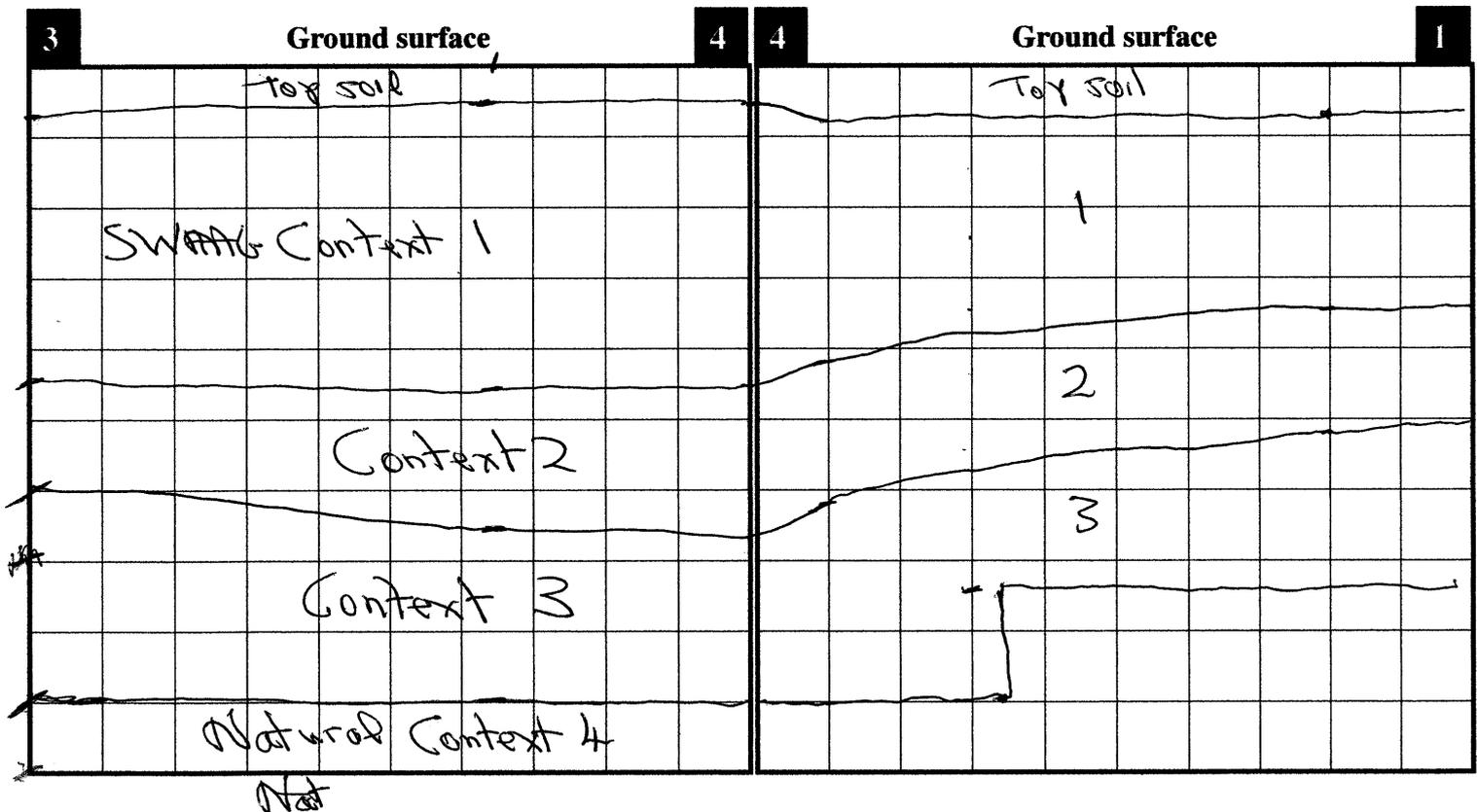
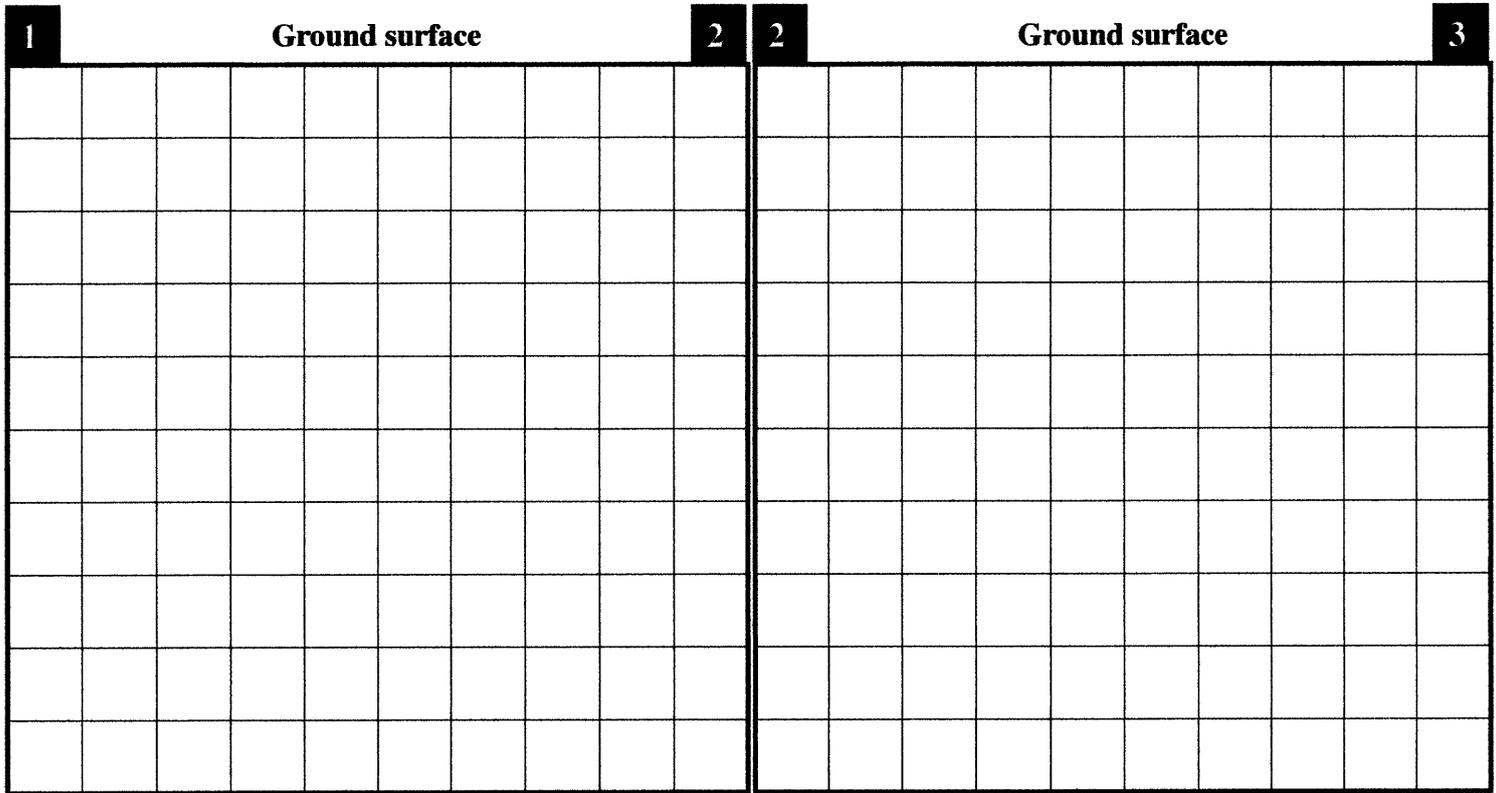
1 small piece of pot in the SW side context 3, at bottom near



Section Drawings

Site code:

Test Pit number:



SWAAG Context Sheet

(See separate terminology sheet)

Site: RGR	Trench #: 2	Position:	CONTEXT #: 1
This DEPOSIT is:		This CUT is:	
above context #: 2	below context #: 0	cutting:	Pre-ex interp:
the FILL of:	same as context #:	filled by:	excavated by:
cut by #:	cut by:	cut by:	supervisors:
colour moist: (see overleaf) Dark brown	same as:	same as:	excav. method
texture: (see overleaf) Friable	shape in plan:	shape in plan:	dates:
compaction: (see overleaf) Soft	shape in profile:	shape in profile:	% excav. <10 10 25 50 75 100
composition: (see overleaf) Clayey silt	orientation:	orientation:	sampled: Y/N
inclusions: (see overleaf) None	break of slope	break of slope	B&W digital photo: Y/N
	top: sharp / gradual	top: sharp / gradual	colour digital photo: Y/N
	bottom: sharp / gradual	bottom: sharp / gradual	video: Y/N
	angle/shape of sides:	angle/shape of sides:	drawn in plan: Y/N
	shape of base:	shape of base:	drawn in section: Y/N
clear horizon: Y/N	clear: Y/N	clear: Y/N	excavation length (m):
eroded: Y/N	eroded: Y/N	eroded: Y/N	width (m):
truncated horizontally: Y/N	truncated horizontally: Y/N	truncated horizontally: Y/N	depth/thickness (m):
animal disturbance: Y/N	animal disturbance: Y/N	animal disturbance: Y/N	recorded by:
floral disturbance: Y/N	floral disturbance: Y/N	floral disturbance: Y/N	date:
forms a surface: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y/N		post ex interp:	
sealed: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y/N		finds: Y/N	
waterlogged: Y/N		ceramic: Y/N	
deposited in one episode: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y/N		metal: Y/N	
laminated: Y/N		glass: Y/N	
buried soil: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y/N		stone/plaster: Y/N	
deposited by water: Y/N		organic matrix: Y/N	
deposited by wind: Y/N		other: Y/N	
deposited as refuse: Y/N		dug well: Y/N	
notes/sketches: 5/6/13		enough time: Y/N	
	weather OK: Y/N		

SWAAG Context Sheet

(See separate terminology sheet)

Site: RGP	Trench #: 2	Position:	CONTEXT #: 2
This DEPOSIT is:		This CUT is:	
above context #: 3	below context #: 1	cutting:	Pre-ex interp:
the FILL of:	same as context #:	filled by:	excavated by:
cut by #:	cut by:	cut by:	supervisors:
colour moist: Light brown (see overleaf) = Mid	same as:	same as:	excav. method
texture: Friable (see overleaf)	shape in plan:	shape in plan:	dates:
compaction: Loose (see overleaf)	shape in profile:	shape in profile:	% excav. <10 10 25 50 75 100
composition: Sandy Silt (see overleaf)	orientation:	orientation:	sampled: Y/N
inclusions: Charcoal (see overleaf) Coal	break of slope top: sharp / gradual bottom: sharp / gradual	break of slope top: sharp / gradual bottom: sharp / gradual	B&W digital photo: Y/N
clear horizon: Y/N	angle/shape of sides:	angle/shape of sides:	colour digital photo: Y/N
eroded: Y/N	shape of base:	shape of base:	video: Y/N
truncated horizontally: Y/N	clear: Y/N	clear: Y/N	drawn in plan: Y/N
animal disturbance: Y/N	eroded: Y/N	eroded: Y/N	drawn in section: Y/N
floral disturbance: Y/N	truncated horizontally: Y/N	truncated horizontally: Y/N	excavation length (m): width (m): depth/thickness (m):
forms a surface: Y/N	animal disturbance: Y/N	animal disturbance: Y/N	recorded by:
sealed: Y/N	floral disturbance: Y/N	floral disturbance: Y/N	date:
waterlogged: Y/N			post ex interp:
deposited in one episode: Y/N			finds: Y/N
laminated: Y/N	ceramic: Y/N	ceramic: Y/N	
buried soil: Y/N	metal: Y/N	metal: Y/N	
deposited by water: Y/N	glass: Y/N	glass: Y/N	
deposited by wind: Y/N	stone/plaster: Y/N	stone/plaster: Y/N	
deposited as refuse: Y/N	organic matrix: Y/N	organic matrix: Y/N	
<p>Complete the Deposit or the Cut box and delete the other.</p>		other: Y/N	
		dug well: Y/N	
		enough time: Y/N	
<p>notes/sketches:</p> <p>Contexts 1, 2, 1 @ 35cm.</p> <p>Context 2 with charcoal inclusion may just be a burnt layer (coal as well)</p>		weather OK: Y/N	

SWAAG Context Sheet

(See separate terminology sheet)

Site: <i>R68</i>	Trench #: <i>2</i>	Position:	CONTEXT #: <i>33</i>
This DEPOSIT is:		This CUT is:	
above context #: <i>4</i>	below context #: <i>2</i>	cutting:	Pre-ex interp:
the FILL of:		filled by:	excavated by:
same as context #:	cut by #:	cut by:	supervisors:
colour moist: <i>Mid Brown</i> (see overleaf)	texture: <i>Plastic</i> (see overleaf)	same as:	excav. method
compaction: <i>Fine grained soft</i> (see overleaf)	composition: <i>Clayey Silt</i> (see overleaf)	shape in plan:	dates:
inclusions: <i>Charcoal Cinder</i> (see overleaf)	break of slope top: <i>sharp / gradual</i> bottom: <i>sharp / gradual</i>	shape in profile:	% excav. <10 10 25 50 75 100
clear horizon: Y / N	eroded: Y / N	orientation:	sampled: Y / N
eroded: Y / N	truncated horizontally: Y / N	angle/shape of sides:	B&W digital photo: Y / N
truncated horizontally: Y / N	animal disturbance: Y / N	shape of base:	colour digital photo: Y / N
animal disturbance: Y / N	floral disturbance: Y / N	excavation length (m):	video: Y / N
floral disturbance: Y / N	forms a surface: Y / N	width (m):	drawn in plan: Y / N
forms a surface: Y / N	sealed: Y / N	depth/thickness (m):	drawn in section: Y / N
sealed: Y / N	waterlogged: Y / N	recorded by:	excavation length (m):
waterlogged: Y / N	deposited in one episode: Y / N	date:	width (m):
deposited in one episode: Y / N	laminated: Y / N	post ex interp:	depth/thickness (m):
laminated: Y / N	buried soil: Y / N	finds: Y / N	ceramic: Y / N
buried soil: Y / N	deposited by water: Y / N	ceramic: Y / N	metal: Y / N
deposited by water: Y / N	deposited by wind: Y / N	metal: Y / N	glass: Y / N
deposited by wind: Y / N	deposited as refuse: Y / N	glass: Y / N	stone/plaster: Y / N
deposited as refuse: Y / N	notes/sketches:	stone/plaster: Y / N	organic matrix: Y / N
		organic matrix: Y / N	other: Y / N
		other: Y / N	dug well: Y / N
		dug well: Y / N	enough time: Y / N
		enough time: Y / N	weather OK: Y / N
		weather OK: Y / N	

SWAAG Context Sheet

(See separate terminology sheet)

Site: RGY	Trench #: 2	Position:	CONTEXT #: 4
This DEPOSIT is:		This CUT is:	
above context #: —	below context #: 3	cutting:	Pre-ex interp:
the FILL of:		filled by:	excavated by:
same as context #:	cut by #:	cut by:	supervisors:
colour moist: Light brown (see overleaf)	texture: Plastic (see overleaf)	same as:	excav. method
compaction: Coarse grain Weakly cemented (see overleaf)	composition: Clayey silt (see overleaf)	shape in plan:	dates:
inclusions: Stone, angular (see overleaf)	break of slope top: sharp / gradual bottom: sharp / gradual	shape in profile:	% excav. <10 10 25 50 75 100
clear horizon: Y / N	angle/shape of sides:	orientation:	sampled: Y / N
eroded: Y / N	shape of base:	video: Y / N	B&W digital photo: Y / N
truncated horizontally: Y / N	clear: Y / N	drawn in plan: Y / N	colour digital photo: Y / N
animal disturbance: Y / N	eroded: Y / N	drawn in section: Y / N	excavation length (m):
floral disturbance: Y / N	truncated horizontally: Y / N	excavation width (m):	excavation depth/thickness (m):
forms a surface: Y / N	animal disturbance: Y / N	recorded by:	
sealed: Y / N	floral disturbance: Y / N	date:	
waterlogged: Y / N		post ex interp:	
deposited in one episode: Y / N		finds: Y / N	
laminated: Y / N	<p>Complete the Deposit or the Cut box and delete the other.</p>	ceramic: Y / N	
buried soil: Y / N		metal: Y / N	
deposited by water: Y / N		glass: Y / N	
deposited by wind: Y / N		stone/plaster: Y / N	
deposited as refuse: Y / N		organic matrix: Y / N	
		other: Y / N	
notes/sketches:		dug well: Y / N	
		enough time: Y / N	
		weather OK: Y / N	