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Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment and Statement of Heritage  
Significance for Bradgate Park Registered Park and Garden



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## Summary

Wessex Archaeology was commissioned by Severn Trent Water to prepare an Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment in relation to proposed works between Bradgate Park, Newtown Linford, Leicester and the village of Groby, Leicester from NGR 453403 311449 to NGR 452654 305960. This study is intended to inform future proposals for a proposed pipeline, which is made up of three sections.

The aims of this study were to assess the known and potential heritage resource within the site and the surrounding area, and to assess the likely impacts of the development proposals on this resource.

The effect of the development proposals on the historic environment resource will be a material consideration in the determination of the planning application. This study has identified no overriding heritage constraints which are likely to prohibit development.

### *Sections 1 and 2, and Bradgate Park Route Option*

The assessment has established that there is an archaeological interest within sections 1 and 2 defined as the potential for the presence of remains dating from the Anglo-Saxon period to the 19th century. These remains are likely to be associated with past agricultural and industrial activity and are anticipated to be of local significance at most.

There is also broad potential for archaeology dating to the Prehistoric and Romano-British periods, inferred from known levels of activity as recorded on the historic environment record. These could be of local to regional significance.

### *Section 3*

Section 3 has limited potential for Romano-British archaeology given its proximity to a Roman road. These are likely to be of local significance and contribute to our understanding of landscape use during the Romano-British period.

Due to a lack of previous archaeological investigation the presence, location and significance of any buried archaeological remains within the site (all three sections) cannot currently be confirmed on the basis of the available information. As such it is likely that additional investigations may be required by the archaeological advisor to Charnwood Borough Council, Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council and Blaby District Council.

### *Designated Heritage Assets*

The proposed development is considered to cause no harm to the heritage significance of the grade II listed Bradgate Park Registered Park and Garden.

The proposed development may offer an opportunity to better understand the park's development and the likelihood of evidence of prehistoric activity similar to those found in other areas of the Park in its northern section.

The current alignment will involve physical impacts to the stone wall that runs along Bradgate Park's eastern boundary. The local planning authority may consider this curtilage listed and the works could require Listed Building Consent.

Given the temporary nature of the construction activities and the below-ground nature of the development proposals, the proposed development will not adversely impact the settings of any designated or non-designated heritage assets within the wider landscape surrounding the site.



### *Historic Landscape Character*

The proposed development will have no appreciable effect on the Historic Landscape Character of the site.

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# Hallgates to Elms Farm, Leicestershire

## Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment and Statement of Heritage Significance for Bradgate Park Registered Park and Garden

### 1 INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 Project background

- 1.1.1 Wessex Archaeology was commissioned by Severn Trent Water (the client), to prepare an Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment in relation to proposed works between Bradgate Park, Newtown Linford, Leicester and the village of Groby, Leicester (hereafter 'the Site', **Fig. 1**), from NGR 453403 311449 to NGR 452654 305960.
- 1.1.2 This study is intended to inform future proposals for the installation of a pipeline within the Site. Wessex Archaeology has previously provided a Heritage Appraisal (Wessex Archaeology 2024) to support optioneering, which identified the pipeline has the potential to impact heritage assets.
- 1.1.3 This report has been updated following updates to the proposed route, however a section of the old route crossing through Bradgate Park has been retained as a possible option following further investigation.

#### 1.2 The Site

- 1.2.1 The Site comprises the route of a proposed pipeline, which is made up of five sections selected during the above-mentioned optioneering phase. These sections are Section 1 Route C Section 2 Route A, a proposed area for the cross-connection options, For brevity, each is referred to as Section 1-3 within this assessment (**Figure 1**) but, where required, is collectively discussed as 'the Site'.
- 1.2.2 Section 1 forms the northern half of the Site and begins north of the Bradgate Park before running through agricultural fields around Cropston Reservoir and crossing southwest through agricultural fields before ending at Bradgate Road to the south of Bradgate Park (**Photographs 1-7**).
- 1.2.3 Section 2 begins at Bradgate Road where Section 1 terminates. From here, it travels generally south but curves around the outskirts of the village of Groby through agricultural fields (**Photographs 8-14**).
- 1.2.4 The route of the proposed pipeline crosses over roads in several places and is approximately 10 km long, with both Section 1 and Section 2 being approximately 5 km in length. The Site lies just outside of Leicester, and while the immediate surroundings of Section 1 in the north are more agricultural, Section 2 is surrounded by more dense areas of occupation.
- 1.2.5 Section 3 lies south-east of Ratby within two grass covered fields just north of a vegetation-lined watercourse (connected to Rothley Brook) crossing on a north-east to south-west alignment. A hedge line field boundary crosses Section 3 on a north-west to south-east alignment. The section is approximately 215 m in length and is immediately surrounded by grass covered fields in all directions. An oval reservoir lies to the northwest of the Site. In

its wider surroundings are large areas of settlement, such as Ratby to the north-west and Leicester to the east, and large areas of agricultural fields particularly to the south-west (**Photographs 15-18**).

- 1.2.6 The topography across the Site undulates and is recorded between approximately 70 m and 113 m OD. Generally, local topography falls towards Rothley Brook.
- 1.2.7 Bedrock geology across the Site varies. Section 1 predominantly lies within areas recorded as Gunthorpe Member and Edwalton Member mudstone. However, there are also small pockets of Cotgrave Sandstone Member, and Bradgate Formation comprising thinly-bedded and laminated mudstones, siltstones and sandstones. Section 2 predominantly comprises Edwalton Member, but also has areas of Gunthorpe Member and Cotgrave Sandstone Member. Section 3 lies entirely within an area of Gunthorpe Member mudstone (British Geological Survey, Geology of Britain Viewer).
- 1.2.8 Similarly, superficial deposits recorded within the Study Area are varied with the largest being Oadby Member comprising sand, gravel, clay and silt. There are also areas of Head, Glaciofluvial Deposits, River Terrace Deposits, Alluvium and Colluvium as shown on **Figure 2** (British Geological Survey, Geology of Britain Viewer).

### 1.3 Development proposals

- 1.3.1 It is understood that the proposed development comprises the installation of a new pipeline and cross connection area within the Site. While no detailed designs are available at the time of writing, it is anticipated that this will comprise the stripping of a working easement, as well as the excavation of a trench for the pipeline ('cut and fill').

### 1.4 Scope of document

- 1.4.1 This assessment was requested by the Client in order to determine, as far as is possible from existing information, the nature, extent and significance of the historic environment resource within the Site and its environs, and to provide an initial assessment of the potential impact of development on the heritage assets that embody that significance.
- 1.4.2 The Historic Environment, as defined in the *National Planning Policy Framework* (NPPF, DLUHC 2023): Annex 2, comprises:

*'all aspects of the environment resulting from the interaction between people and places through time, including all surviving physical remains of past human activity, whether visible, buried or submerged, and landscaped and planted or managed flora.'*

- 1.4.3 NPPF Annex 2 defines a Heritage Asset as:

*'a building monument, site, place, area or landscape identified as having a degree of significance meriting consideration in planning decisions, because of its heritage interest. Heritage assets include designated heritage assets and assets identified by the local planning authority (including local listing).'*

### 1.5 Aims

- 1.5.1 The specific aims of this assessment are to:
- outline the known and potential heritage assets within the Site based on a review of existing information within a defined study area;



- assess the significance of known and potential heritage assets through weighted consideration of their valued components;
- assess the potential impact of development or other land changes on the significance of the heritage assets; and
- make recommendations for strategies to mitigate potential adverse impacts arising from the proposed development.

## 2 PLANNING BACKGROUND

### 2.1 Introduction

2.1.1 There is national legislation and guidance relating to the protection of, and proposed development on or near, important archaeological sites or historical buildings within planning regulations as defined under the provisions of the *Town and Country Planning Act 1990*. In addition, local authorities are responsible for the protection of the historic environment within the planning system.

2.1.2 The following section summarises the main components of the national and local planning and legislative framework governing the treatment of the historic environment within the planning process. Further detail is presented in **Appendix 2**.

### 2.2 Designated heritage assets

2.2.1 A designated heritage assets is defined in NPPF Annex 2 as:

*‘A World Heritage Site, Scheduled Monument, Listed Building, Protected Wreck Site, Registered Park and Garden, Registered Battlefield or Conservation Area designated under the relevant legislation.’*

2.2.2 Statutory protection is provided to certain classes of designated heritage asset under the following legislation:

- *Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990;*
- *Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979; and*
- *Protection of Wrecks Act 1973*

2.2.3 The *Historic Buildings and Ancient Monuments Act 1953* makes provision for the compilation of a register of gardens and other land (parks and gardens, and battlefields). This duty was given to the Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England (then English Heritage, now Historic England) under the *National Heritage Act 1983*.

2.2.4 The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) World Heritage Committee inscribes World Heritage Sites for their Outstanding Universal Value (OUV); ‘cultural and/or natural significance which is so exceptional as to transcend national boundaries and to be of common importance for present and future generations of all humanity’. The United Kingdom is a signatory of the *UNESCO Convention Concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage 1972*. England protects its World Heritage Sites and their settings, through the statutory designation process and through the planning system.



2.2.5 Further information regarding heritage designations is provided in **Appendix 2**.

### **2.3 Hedgerows Regulations 1997 (as Amended 2002)**

2.3.1 Hedgerows that fulfil certain criteria are afforded protection under the *Hedgerows Regulations 1997* (as Amended 2002). The administration of the regulations is the responsibility of the Local Planning Authority (LPA).

### **2.4 National Planning Policy Framework**

2.4.1 The *National Planning Policy Framework* (NPPF) was published in December 2023 and sets out the government's planning policies for England and how these are expected to be applied.

2.4.2 Section 16 of the NPPF, entitled *Conserving and enhancing the historic environment*, sets out the principal national guidance on the importance, management and safeguarding of heritage assets within the planning process.

2.4.3 The aim of NPPF Section 16 is to ensure that Local Planning Authorities, developers and owners of heritage assets adopt a consistent and holistic approach to their conservation and to reduce complexity in planning policy relating to proposals that affect them.

2.4.4 To summarise, government guidance provides a framework which:

- recognises that heritage assets are an irreplaceable resource;
- requires applicants to provide proportionate information on the significance of heritage assets affected by the proposals and an impact assessment of the proposed development on that significance;
- takes into account the desirability of sustaining and enhancing the significance of heritage assets and their setting;
- places weight on the conservation of designated heritage assets, in line with their significance; and
- requires developers to record and advance understanding of the significance of any heritage assets to be lost (wholly or in part) in a manner proportionate to their importance and impact, and to make this evidence (and any archive generated) publicly accessible.

2.4.5 A selection of excerpts from NPPF Section 16: Conserving and enhancing the historic environment is presented in **Appendix 2**.

2.4.6 Further additional guidance intended to accompany the NPPF is provided in the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) web-based resource<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/conserving-and-enhancing-the-historic-environment>



## 2.5 Local planning policy and guidance

- 2.5.1 The Site is situated within the administrative boundaries of Charnwood Borough Council, Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council and Blaby District Council. All three of these local authorities are currently working on new local plans.
- 2.5.2 Relevant local planning policy relevant to this assessment is included in the *Charnwood Local Plan 2011 to 2028* (Charnwood Borough Council 2015), the *Site Allocations and Development Management Policies DPD* (Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council 2016), the *Local Plan (Core Strategy) Development Plan Document* (Blaby District Council 2013), and *Local Plan (Delivery) Development Plan Document (ibid. 2019)*.
- 2.5.3 Local planning policies that relate to the historic environment and may be relevant to the proposed development are presented in **Appendix 2**.
- 2.5.4 There are Conservation Areas within the Study Area which have been designated by Charnwood Borough Council and Blaby District Council. Each of these councils has prepared detailed studies of each of the Conservation Areas within the district. These Conservation Area appraisals have been adopted by the councils as Supplementary Planning Guidance (Charnwood Borough Council 2014; Blaby District Council 2014).

## 3 METHODOLOGY

### 3.1 Introduction

- 3.1.1 The methodology employed during this assessment was based upon relevant professional guidance, including the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists' *Standard and guidance for historic environment desk-based assessment* (CIfA 2014, revised 2020).

### 3.2 Study Area

- 3.2.1 A Study Area was established within a 500 m radius of the Site boundary. The recorded historic environment resource within the Study Area was considered in order to provide a context for the discussion and interpretation of the known and potential resource within the Site.
- 3.2.2 While the proposed route has been updated, the Study Area has remained the same as the Site still lies within the Study Area created for the original pipeline route.

### 3.3 Sources

- 3.3.1 Several publicly accessible sources of primary and synthesised information were consulted. These comprised:
- the National Heritage List for England (NHLE), which is the only official and up to date database of all nationally designated heritage assets;
  - the Leicestershire and Rutland Historic Environment Record (L&RHER), comprising a database of recorded archaeological sites, find spots, and archaeological events within the county;
  - relevant national, regional and thematic Research Frameworks (e.g., Cooper 2006, David Knight et al 2012);

- national heritage datasets including the Archaeological Data Service (ADS), Heritage Gateway, OASIS, PastScape and the National Record of the Historic Environment (NRHE) Excavation Index;
- historic manuscripts, surveyed maps, and Ordnance Survey maps; and
- relevant primary and secondary sources held in Wessex Archaeology's own library. Both published and unpublished archaeological reports relating to excavations and observations in the vicinity of the Site were studied.

3.3.2 The online archives catalogue of the Leicestershire Record Office was consulted but it did not indicate the presence of material that could further significantly inform the assessment. Sources consulted during the preparation of this assessment are listed in the references section of the report.

3.3.3 Sources consulted during the preparation of this assessment are listed in the references section of the report.

### **3.4 Site visit**

3.4.1 The Site was visited on 19th and 20th October 2024. Weather conditions were generally dry and varied between overcast and sunny. Snowfall had occurred overnight leaving areas snow-covered. A fieldwork record comprising digital photography is held in the project archive.

3.4.2 The aim of the Site visit was to assess the general aspect, character, condition and setting of the Site and to identify any prior impacts not evident from secondary sources. The Site visit also sought to ascertain if the Site contained any previously unidentified features of archaeological, architectural or historic interest.

### **3.5 Significance**

3.5.1 Significance (for heritage policy) is defined in NPPF Annex 2 as:

*'The value of a heritage asset to this and future generations because of its heritage interest. The interest may be archaeological, architectural, artistic or historic. Significance derives not only from a heritage asset's physical presence, but also from its setting. For World Heritage Sites, the cultural value described within each site's Statement of Outstanding Universal Value forms part of its significance.'*

3.5.2 The interests as listed in the NPPF are further defined in Historic England's (2019) *Statements of Heritage Significance: analysing significance in heritage assets*. These are:

- Archaeological Interest: there will be archaeological interest in a heritage asset if it holds, or potentially holds, evidence of past human activity worthy of expert investigation at some point;
- Architectural and Artistic Interest: these are interests in the design and general aesthetics of a place. They can arise from conscious design or fortuitously from the way the heritage asset has evolved. More specifically, architectural interest is an interest in the art or science of the design, construction, craftsmanship and decoration of buildings and structures of all types. Artistic interest is an interest in other human creative skill, like sculpture; and

- Historic Interest: An interest in past lives and events (including prehistoric). Heritage assets can illustrate or be associated with them. Heritage assets with historic interest not only provide a material record of our nation's history but can also provide meaning for communities derived from their collective experience of a place and can symbolise wider values such as faith and cultural identity.

3.5.3 This assessment was also informed by the advice published by Historic England in the document entitled *Managing Significance in Decision-Taking in the Historic Environment: historic environment good practice advice in planning note 2* (2015).

### 3.6 Assumptions and limitations

3.6.1 Data used to compile this report consists of secondary information derived from a variety of sources, only some of which have been directly examined for the purposes of this Study. The assumption is made that this data, as well as that derived from other secondary sources, is reasonably accurate.

3.6.2 The records held by the L&RHER are not a record of all surviving heritage assets, but a record of the discovery of a wide range of archaeological and historical components of the historic environment. The information held within it is not complete and does not preclude the subsequent discovery of further elements of the historic environment that are, at present, unknown.

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## 4 BASELINE RESOURCE

### 4.1 Introduction

4.1.1 The following section provides a summary of the recorded historic environment within the Study Area, compiled from the sources summarised above and detailed in the references section of this report. The aim is to identify the known and potential components of the historic environment (heritage assets) that could be affected by the proposed development.

### 4.2 Designated heritage assets

#### Site

4.2.1 There are no designated heritage assets within the Site.

#### Study Area

4.2.2 Designated heritage assets within the Study Area comprise Bradgate Park Registered Park and Garden, a Scheduled Monument, 18 Grade II Listed Buildings and two Conservation Areas. There are no World Heritage Sites, or Registered Battlefields within the Study Area.

4.2.3 Bradgate Park (NHLE 1000958) is a Grade II Registered Park and Garden. The park was a medieval deer park which was enclosed by 1241 and element of later improvements, notably 18<sup>th</sup> century stone walling and plantations, survive within the public park. Also within

the park are the ruins of Bradgate House, a brick mansion begun in the 1490s and abandoned in the 18<sup>th</sup> century, associated with which are the earthwork remains of its garden. A statement of significance for Bradgate Park Registered Park and Garden is provided below.

- 4.2.4 The Scheduled Monument (NHLE 1017680) is a moated site and garden enclosure at Glenfield which is c. 385 m south of Section 2. The peak period during which moated sites were built was between about 1250 and 1350 AD and by far the greatest concentration lies in central and eastern parts of England. However, moated sites were built throughout the medieval period, are widely scattered throughout England and exhibit a high level of diversity in their forms and sizes. Roof slate and ridge tile dating from the 13th-14th centuries have been found on the moat island of the Scheduled Monument. Probing activity on the moat island also indicates stone foundations beneath the surface considered to be those of the medieval house which originally occupied it.
- 4.2.5 Eleven of the Grade II Listed Buildings within the Study Area are dated to the post-medieval period, mostly 17th or 18th century. The rest are 19th century buildings, with four relating to Cropston Reservoir Water Works (NHLE 1074630, 1074631, 1178081, 1178122) c. 200 m west of Section 1. Other than the buildings associated with the reservoir, most of the Listed Buildings are within Cropston Conservation Area in the north of the Study Area, while only two are in the south of the Study Area.
- 4.2.6 Cropston Conservation Area covers a relatively small linear settlement with origins in the Anglo-Saxon period and is c. 35 m south-east of Section 1 of the Site. Glenfield Conservation Area is based on the medieval village settlement which is now largely surrounded by extensive areas of 20th century housing development. Glenfield also likely has Anglo-Saxon roots, and its Conservation Area is 365 m south of Section 2 and includes the moated site Scheduled Monument.
- 4.2.7 Designated heritage assets located within the Study Area are depicted in **Figure 1**.

### 4.3 Locally listed heritage assets

- 4.3.1 Hallgate Filter Station (MLE23732) is recorded as a Locally Listed Building by the L&RHER (Fig. 1). The water supply processing building was built in 1920 and was originally commissioned for City of Leicester Waterworks but is now operated by Severn Trent Water. It is located c. 300 m north of Section 1 near Tree Cottage. There are no other Locally Listed Buildings recorded within the Study Area, although there may be other buildings of historic interest.

### 4.4 Previous studies

#### *Site*

- 4.4.1 A number of the previous archaeological studies within the Study Area fall within the Site.

#### Section 1

- 4.4.2 Section 1 crosses partially through an area where a watching brief was undertaken in 2013 of topsoil stripping and pipeline trenching along the route of the Derwent Valley Aqueduct (ELE9925). The stratigraphy was generally uniform across the site: 0.35m of topsoil overlay subsoil typically 0.5m in depth, which in turn overlay clean sandy clay natural with occasional lenses of grey clay. In places bedrock was reached below the clay. With the exception of post-medieval field boundaries, no archaeological deposits or features were observed during the monitoring.

- 4.4.3 Another part of Section 1 is within an area just east of Cropston Reservoir which was subject to fieldwalking in 2000 (ELE4748). The fieldwalking here recovered seven sherds of Potters Marston and other medieval pottery. Fieldwork near the reservoir (ELE254) recorded a medieval farmyard which the pottery is likely associated with.
- 4.4.4 Two watching briefs (ELE12383, ELE11283) of pipe excavation works are recorded crossing Section 1 which were undertaken in 1998 and 2017. The 1998 works observed no archaeological features, but finds included medieval spindle whorls and post-medieval and modern metal scraps and buttons were recorded. The 2017 watching brief carried out by Wessex Archaeology recorded three areas of ridge and furrow cultivation which were only intermittently visible in LiDAR survey. Levelling deposits of 20th-century date were also encountered intermittently across the Site but no further archaeological features or deposits were recorded. Artefacts were limited to 18th- to 20th-century finds that were likely introduced by manuring. It was also noted that the variability in level of the upper horizon of the stonier lower strata of the natural geology suggests the possibility of a braided system of palaeochannels or some other arrangement of localised highs and lows that may have led to palaeoenvironmental preservation in the general area although no palaeoenvironmental deposits were identified.

#### Section 2

- 4.4.5 The route lies just metres north of a large geophysical survey (ELE11928), which identified six clusters of archaeological remains that chiefly comprised enclosures and ring ditches, but also included medieval or post-medieval ridge and furrow cultivation. The survey identified a pair of possible Iron Age or Romano-British rectangular enclosures (MLE19828) near the Site. Archaeological evaluation (ELE7687) conducted immediately adjacent to Section 2 within the area of the geophysical survey (ELE11928) recorded a single undated linear feature which is probably associated with the enclosures.
- 4.4.6 Just south of these enclosures (MLE19828), fieldwalking (ELE877) has recorded a scatter of Roman pottery, roof slate, tile and several kiln bars (MLE2770) which are recorded 260 m west of the Site. Further fieldwalking further south (ELE58) was carried out along the line of the A46 and identified flint scatters and Iron Age to postmedieval sherds of pottery.
- 4.4.7 Although LiDAR analysis (ELE7150) associated with the widening of the M1 Junction 21-30 was carried out across the south of Section 2, no features identified by this analysis intersect with the Site.
- 4.4.8 A number of archaeological desk-based assessments (ELE9039, ELE8910, ELE8911) have also been undertaken in the area.

#### Section 3

- 4.4.9 This section also falls within the area of LiDAR analysis (ELE7150) associated with the widening of the M1 Junction 21-30. However, again, no features identified by this analysis intersect with the Site.
- 4.4.10 A watching brief of pipeline works was undertaken by Wessex Archaeology in 2014 immediately south of Section 3 (ELE9385). The results of the watching brief show that the area to the north of the motorway was extensively disturbed during the construction of the M1, with the area built up with spoil during its construction. Ground disturbance was also recorded due to modern services. Unstratified 19th and 20th century pottery was found during stripping and a small plough furrow was discovered, however no other archaeological features or deposits were observed during groundworks (Wessex Archaeology 2015).

### *Study Area*

- 4.4.11 The L&RHER records many investigations within the Study Area. Where relevant, the results of these investigations are discussed in further detail in **Section 4.5**.
- 4.4.12 While there are several previous investigations within the Study Area, they are not equally dispersed. Therefore, while in some areas of the Site the potential for archaeological remains is well-informed, in other areas there is limited information.
- 4.4.13 Previous archaeological investigations carried out within the Study Area are illustrated in **Figures 3-5**.

## **4.5 Archaeological and historical context**

- 4.5.1 The following section summarises the archaeological and historical development of the Site and the Study Area, compiled from the sources listed above, and informed by the previous Heritage Appraisal (Wessex Archaeology 2024). The potential for the likelihood of as yet unrecorded archaeological remains within the Site is informed by the consideration of the known heritage assets within the Study Area, in conjunction with the geology and topography of the area.
- 4.5.2 Records obtained from the NHLE, L&RHER and other sources are listed in **Appendix 3** and illustrated in **Figures 1–8**.

### *Prehistoric (970,000 BC–AD 43)*

#### Section 1

- 4.5.3 One of the earliest known heritage assets within the Study Area is a flint blade (MLE15734) which was found c. 500 m southeast of the southern end of Section 1. The blade is thought to be late Mesolithic or Early Neolithic in date and was found during an archaeological evaluation (ELE4232). A number of other prehistoric finds have been recorded within the Study Area. These include other flint findspots (MLE7161, MLE17465) as well as an Iron Age pottery findspot (MLE6458) which are dispersed over 170 m from the Site. An Iron Age or Roman beehive quern (MLE6562) was also found near Bradgate Road north of the reservoir although its exact findspot is unknown.
- 4.5.4 The only possible prehistoric feature recorded by the L&RHER within 500 m of the Site comprises an undated earthwork bank (MLE21944) within Bradgate Park which was recorded underlying medieval ridge and furrow.
- 4.5.5 Outside of the Study Area, a nationally significant palaeolithic flint scatter site is recorded within Bradgate Park, near the remains of the house. A large group of worked flints was recovered from an eroding footpath in 2001 and a second large collection was recovered between 2002 and 2008. The assemblage comprises over 2,000 pieces and included tools, tool by-products, larger debitage, and micro-debitage. The material was recovered from a thin horizon immediately beneath the eroding turf in a very restricted location, only c. 2 m across. The finds were identified as typical of the Creswellian facies of the Late Magdalenian having both trapezoidal Cheddar points and occasional usage of the en éperon technique in the preparation of core platforms for debitage. However, there is conspicuous evidence for the use of soft stone percussion, which is a technique not previously reported for the Creswellian, together with the use of opposed platform core technology. The assemblage is significant as it is considered that the Creswellian typo-technological adaptations indicate a change in projectile technology, reflecting new hunting strategies required to cope with ecological changes in a warming environment (Cooper 2012).



- 4.5.6 There are no prehistoric heritage assets recorded by the L&RHER within Section 1, however the available evidence suggests that there is a potential for prehistoric remains to be present.

#### Section 2

- 4.5.7 Five areas of possible Iron Age occupation are recorded within the Study Area north of Groby. The Site crosses through one of these (MLE411) where evaluation outside of the Site has recorded probable Iron Age features and artefacts including shallow circular gullies - evidence of round houses - and Iron Age pottery and a struck flint. A second settlement area (MLE19828) is 70 m southwest of Section 2, while a third (MLE6554) is 260 m southwest of the Site. Both comprise small enclosures which may be of late Iron Age or Romano-British date. Evaluation and geophysical survey here have recorded enclosures, evidence of round houses and Iron Age pottery and flint. The field is currently ploughed (**Photograph 10**). The remaining two areas of possible Iron Age occupation (MLE27225) are recorded over 300 m west of the Site.
- 4.5.8 Other recorded prehistoric heritage assets within the Study Area include findspots for Mesolithic flint (MLE7054, MLE15734), and an Iron Age coin (MLE9386) and beehive quern (MLE6553).
- 4.5.9 Section 2 lies within a recorded area of possible Iron Age settlement (MLE411) and there is further evidence of Iron Age occupation within the vicinity of the northern half. As such, there is a potential for similar or associated remains to be present within Section 2 which may be associated with settlement or agricultural practices during this period.

#### Section 3

- 4.5.10 As with Sections 1 and 2, there is no evidence of prehistoric activity within Section 3. However, unlike the other two sections, there is a lack of prehistoric activity within the surrounding area. There is, therefore, considered to be a limited potential for prehistoric remains to be present within Section 3.

#### *Romano-British (AD 43–410)*

##### Section 1

- 4.5.11 Evidence of possible Romano-British settlement is found near Section 1 and is well dispersed, with three separate settlement areas recorded between 85 m and 270 m from Section 1. These Roman sites are located near Bybrook Lodge Farm (MLE1037), west of Cropston (MLE1045) and northwest of Anstey (MLE735). Large amounts of Roman pottery have been discovered at each site, as well as coins, brooches and tile. As a result of the finds present, the settlement site near Bybrook Lodge Farm (MLE1037) has been interpreted as a possible Roman villa site, while the site west of Cropston (MLE1045) is a possible occupation and kiln site.
- 4.5.12 Further Romano-British evidence within the vicinity of Section 1 includes a possible Roman road (MLE10657) as well as scattered Roman pottery finds. The possible road is recorded c. 500 m from the Site, however if it were to continue on its north-west to south-east alignment, it may cross through the Site. It was identified as parallel ditches shown as cropmarks in aerial photography (raf\_cpe\_uk\_2379\_v\_5066) and was overlain by ridge and furrow. It is not visible in LiDAR data.
- 4.5.13 There are no known assets of Romano-British date recorded by the L&RHER within the Section 1, however there is a potential for Romano-British remains to be present. These

could be associated with known settlement in the north, or the possible Roman road which may extend into the Site.

## Section 2

- 4.5.14 The Iron Age settlements recorded in and near Section 2 continued into the Romano-British period. Romano-British finds were recorded during evaluation work at the possible Iron Age site (MLE411) which Section 2 lies within. To the west of the Site, the presumed settlement sites (MLE2770, MLE24279) comprise possible enclosures, pits and kilns, with finds including pottery, tile and part of a human skull. It is thought that this may be the location of a Roman villa site. The site to the east of Section 2 (MLE413) is interpreted as a low status Romano-British occupation site with possibly earlier origins.
- 4.5.15 Other Romano-British assets within the surrounding area include Roman roads (MLE10657, MLE4345) near the northern and southern ends of the route, and findspots for a Roman coin (MLE7700) and pottery (MLE7731).
- 4.5.16 Romano-British remains likely associated with settlement are recorded within Section 2 by the L&RHER (MLE411), and the available evidence suggests that earlier occupation near the section continued into this period. The proximity of known Romano-British settlement suggests there is a potential for associated remains to be present within the Site, either as evidence of occupation or agricultural activity.

## Section 3

- 4.5.17 Romano-British remains near Section 3 are generally found to the north near Ratby and include pottery, coins, and brooches (MLE15778, MLE3116). The closest to the Site was found approximately 45 m north of Section 3 in the 1980s and comprised 10 sherds of Roman greyware pottery (MLE3116).
- 4.5.18 A watching brief was undertaken c. 400 m north-west of the Site on Ferndale Drive during the development of a housing estate between 2001 and 2003. The watching brief revealed many finds from the Romano-British period, including two brooches (MLE15778). However, no features were discovered that could be dated and no firm evidence for the line of the possible Roman road (MLE15824) was recorded.
- 4.5.19 There is a potential for Romano-British features to be present within Section 3. Although no assets are recorded within the Site, there is known Romano-British activity nearby as well as the line of Roman road (MLE4345) 175 m to the north-east. Any remains associated with the Romano-British period may be related to occupation or agricultural practice and would be of local significance.

## *Anglo-Saxon (AD 410–1066) and Medieval (AD 1066–1500)*

### Section 1

- 4.5.20 Anglo-Saxon evidence around Section 1 is limited to a brooch (MLE6120) found near Bybrook Lodge Farm and a Viking coin hoard (MLE1042) west of Cropston. However, whilst the historic medieval core of Cropston is recorded by the L&RHER (MLE1044) c. 20 m south-east of the Site, Cropston may have earlier origins as its name means ‘Kroppr’s farm’ in Old English. If the settlement had earlier Anglo-Saxon origins, it was likely a small settlement as it was not included in the later Domesday Survey. Given the Site’s proximity to the historic centre of Cropston, it may have been in agricultural use during the Anglo-Saxon period if there was a small farming settlement present.



- 4.5.21 Medieval settlement is better known within the Study Area and comprised Cropston as well as small farmsteads such as the one recorded 60 m north-west of the Site (MLE744). Furthermore, there are many areas of ridge and furrow recorded within the Study Area and the Site crosses through two of these. They are recorded south of Horseshoe Cottage (MLE21938) and near Anstey (MLE29450; **Photographs 2 and 7**). One of these areas of ridge and furrow (MLE21938) is visible in an assessment of LiDAR imagery, while the other (MLE2945) is not; It may still survive, however, it likely has been truncated by later agricultural works.
- 4.5.22 During the assessment of LiDAR imagery, a number of areas of ridge and furrow were identified within the Site which are not currently recorded by the L&RHER. These are shown on **Figure 9**. During the site visit, one of these areas near Cropston Reservoir was not accessible, however the others were visited. The northern area through which Section 1 cuts had clear visible earthworks but could not be inspected closely due to livestock (**Photograph 4**).
- 4.5.23 Bradgate Park is located c.10 km north-west of Leicester and covers an area of approximately 850 acres. The park is first mentioned in written sources (specifically as a deer park) in 1241, but it is best known as the location of Bradgate House (NHLE 1008831). The medieval park was enclosed by a bank, with an internal ditch, and made use of the rising topography to the north and south of the River Lin. By 1371 the park was enclosed by walls, ditches, hedges, and palings (Thomas *et al* 2019). Further discussion of the Park is provided in **Section 6**.
- The available evidence suggests that there is a potential for Anglo-Saxon to medieval remains to be present within Section 1. These are most likely to comprise features such as ridge and furrow as there are multiple known and suspected areas recorded within the Site. Section 2
- 4.5.24 Medieval settlement within the Study Area is largely recorded near Glenfield Conservation Area where the 'Moated site and garden enclosure at Glenfield' Scheduled Monument (NHLE 1017680), among other assets, is located. The Scheduled Monument possibly dates to the 13th or 14th centuries. Areas of ridge and furrow are also recorded in some fields west and south-west of Anstey and Section 2 crosses through one of these areas near Bradgate Road (MLE29453; **Photograph 8**). The earthwork system was mapped from aerial photographs and may be of medieval or post-medieval date. While no evidence of the ridge and furrow is visible in LiDAR imagery as above-ground features, there may still be remains present below the surface.
- 4.5.25 The analysis of LiDAR imagery for this report revealed that further areas of possible ridge and furrow within the Study Area not recorded by the L&RHER. Both areas were visited during the site visit. The smallest appears to be truncated by a visible mound which aligns with the route of the overhead power lines (**Photograph 12**). The second area had no visible above-ground indication of ridge and furrow (**Photograph 13**). Section 2 crosses through the smaller area of ridge and furrow (**Fig. 9**).
- 4.5.26 The Site also crosses through a possible medieval park boundary (MLE29075) north of Groby which was identified through the Charnwood Roots Project (**Photograph 9**). The unusual pattern of curving field boundaries was interpreted as a potential deer park and in four locations the boundary survived as a bank.
- 4.5.27 The available evidence suggests that there is limited potential for Anglo-Saxon remains but a high potential for medieval remains to be present within Section 2. These are most likely

to comprise features such as ridge and furrow as there are multiple known and suspected areas recorded which Section 2 cuts through.

### Section 3

- 4.5.28 Medieval remains are limited surrounding Section 3. However, findspots of medieval pottery (MLE15779) was recorded at the watching brief c. 400 m north of the Site, and medieval coins dated to the late 15th century (MLE6798) have been recorded approximately 100 m south-west of the Site.
- 4.5.29 Section 3 is located near Ratby which is recorded as a settlement of 17 households in the 1086 Domesday Survey. The land comprised ploughland and there was also a mill. An assessment of LiDAR imagery shows no evidence of ridge and furrow within the Site, and it is likely that settlement activity associated with Ratby was located further north.
- 4.5.30 There is a limited potential for remains from this period to be present within Section 3 and remains would likely comprise isolated artefacts .

### *Post-medieval (AD 1500–1800) and 19th century (AD 1800–1900)*

#### Section 1

- 4.5.31 Bradgate Park was extended during the 16th and 17th centuries, and formal gardens were laid out. The park was extended at the turn of the sixteenth century when Bradgate House (NHLE 1008831) was constructed. The house was reputedly completed c.1520 and was the childhood home of Lady Jane Grey (1537–54). In the 1740s and 1790s the park was enclosed by a two-metre-high stone wall and contained walled plantations. During the early 19th century, the park was opened to the public on a regular basis, and it became a public park in 1928 and a country park in 1970 (Thomas *et al* 2019). The extent of the post-medieval park comprises the Registered Park and Garden (NHLE 1000958)
- 4.5.32 Section 1 passes north of Cropston Reservoir (MLE16810) which was built in the late 1860s by the Leicester Water Works Company and some of the pumping station (MLE28999) assets are Listed Buildings (NHLE 1074630, 1074631, 1074632, 117808, 11178122). The section loops around the outside of the pumping station before passing south of the reservoir towards Bradgate Road. Ordnance Survey (OS) mapping from 1884 and 1885 (not reproduced) shows the Site crosses through agricultural fields as well as Bradgate Park in the north and a few locations where it intersects roads.
- 4.5.33 Overall, the post-medieval period is well represented within the Study Area, particularly in the form of Listed Buildings within Cropston Conservation Area where settlement appears to have been concentrated. However, small, scattered farmsteads are also shown in 19th century historic mapping (not reproduced) and the Site lies within a wider rural agricultural landscape outside of Leicester.
- 4.5.34 Given the agricultural nature of the Site, , there is a potential for post-medieval and 19th century remains to be present within Section 1. These may be agricultural in nature, or may comprise remains associated with Bradgate Park, particularly where the Site crosses through its northern extent.

#### Section 2

- 4.5.35 As with Section 1, many post-medieval and 19th century heritage assets within the Study Area are recorded near Glenfield Conservation Area where settlement was concentrated. OS mapping from 1884 and 1885 shows the Site lies predominantly within agricultural fields. As with Section 1, it is likely that these 19th century fields were in use for agriculture during

the post-medieval period and were associated with the nearby scattered farmsteads and small settlements.

- 4.5.36 The 19th century heritage assets with the Study Area outside of Glenfield are largely related to industrial works within the surrounding area during this time. They include quarries north of Groby (MLE22307), and the Leicester to Swannington Railway/Midland Railway West Bridge branch (MLE18026). The southern end of the route intersects with the Groby Mineral Railway (MLE16161) which connected the quarries (MLE22307) to the main railway line and was constructed in the 19th century.
- 4.5.37 The Site also crosses Groby Road where a turnpike road (MLE20653) is recorded along the route of the A50. It is assumed that the proposed works would not involve open cut trenching over the A50 and would likely involve directional drilling. It is also likely that construction works associated with the A50 will have removed earlier deposits associated with the turnpike road.
- 4.5.38 Given the agricultural nature of the Site there is a potential for related post-medieval and 19th century remains to be present within Section 2. There is also a potential for remains associated with the now dismantled railway line at the southern end of the Site (MLE16161).

### Section 3

- 4.5.39 OS mapping from the late 19th century shows Section 3 lies across a field boundary and north of a water course on a north-east to south-west alignment. The field boundary and watercourse are consistent with the current layout and surroundings of Section 3. A footpath is also shown in the south-west corner of the Site. The railway (MLE18026) is 45 m north-west of the Site, near the location of post-medieval stoneworks (MLE29439).
- 4.5.40 There is no evidence of similar works to be present within the Site and it is likely that any post-medieval or 19th century activity within the Site was agricultural. There is therefore a limited potential for associated remains to be present.

### *Modern (AD 1900–present day)*

#### Section 1

- 4.5.41 Ordnance Survey (OS) mapping from 1904 (**Fig. 10**) is similar to that of the late 19th century. OS mapping to 1966 and modern satellite imagery shows that the Site has not undergone any significant noticeable changes, with only a few minor field boundary changes. The Site is seen in 20th century mapping and aerial photographs, as well as modern satellite imagery to comprise agricultural fields, with the exception of Bradgate Park and the few locations where it intersects roads (Aerial Photo Explorer 2024; Google Earth 2024).
- 4.5.42 The only modern heritage asset recorded near Section 1 is a collection of retirement homes (MLE28388) 225 m south-east of the Site within Cropston. OS mapping shows that Cropston and Anstey expanded during the 20th century, however Section 1 remains within the surrounding agricultural landscape.
- 4.5.43 There is limited potential for modern archaeological remains to be present within the Site, which would most likely be associated with agricultural practices.

#### Section 2

- 4.5.44 Modern heritage assets near Section 2 are mostly related to industrial and commercial activity and include a former shoe factory (MLE28722), a disused sand pit (MLE29445), and

the site of a demolished engine house (MLE29427). These are all over 270 m from Section 2 near Glenfield which by late 20th century mapping has expanded significantly.

- 4.5.45 The closest modern heritage asset to Section 2 lies 40 m north-west of the Site, just south of Groby Road where the location of a Spigot Mortar Emplacement (MLE24826) is recorded. The Spigot Mortar was under test in early 1941 and were considered to be particularly effective when carefully concealed at road blocks (Denton 2012).
- 4.5.46 As with Section 1, OS mapping from 1885 to 1966 shows that Section 2 has undergone few significant noticeable changes despite wider expansion of settlements within the surrounding area. Field boundaries remain largely the same, with only a few minor changes. The only noticeable change within the Site is near Glenfield where Section 2 forms two branches. A former likely agricultural field which the eastern branch crosses through has become a football ground. At the present this field does not appear to be in-use for sports or recreation and comprises a grass covered field with some areas of vegetation.
- 4.5.47 There is limited potential for modern archaeological remains to be present within the Site, which would most likely be associated with agricultural practices.

### Section 3

- 4.5.48 OS mapping from 1885 to 1966, as well as mid-20th century aerial photographs and 21st century satellite imagery shows that Section 3 has not experienced any significant changes. The section is presently grass-covered and there has been no alteration of the line of the watercourse or field boundary (Aerial Photo Explorer 2024; Google Earth 2024) .
- 4.5.49 There are no modern heritage assets recorded within Section 3 and there is a limited potential for archaeological remains from this period to be present.

### Undated

#### Section 1

- 4.5.50 A small number of undated features recorded by the L&RHER lie within Section 1. One of these (MLE21925) comprises undated ditches north of Bradgate Park which may be of prehistoric origin or associated with modern military activity (**Photograph 1**), as noted on the HER. They were identified in LiDAR data and during a walkover survey, although not seen in the site visit perhaps due to the snow-cover on the ground.
- 4.5.51 Section 1 also passes through a field in which two possible rectangular cropmarks are recorded (MLE738). The precise position of these is not recorded, however an assessment of aerial imagery suggests that at least one may lie within the north-west corner of the field where Section 1 crosses through.
- 4.5.52 In summary, there is a potential for remains associated with the undated ditches (MLE21925) and the possible rectangular cropmark (MLE738) to be present within Section 1.

### Section 2

- 4.5.53 The northern part of Section 2 crosses a linear earthwork on a north-west to south-east alignment (MLE404; **Photograph 8**). The linear earthwork (MLE404) may relate to a Roman, medieval or post-medieval road as slabs of granite set in clay and water-worn sandstone pebbles have been recorded as forming the surface.

- 4.5.54 Section 2 also passes an area of undated cropmark features (MLE29457) near the A46. The cropmarks were seen as interrupted perpendicular linear features each defined by one ditch, and were mapped using poor quality aerial photographs. They were not seen during the site visit (**Photograph 11**).
- 4.5.55 Another linear feature (MLE29441) is recorded c. 250 m to the south of Section 2. However, it's north-west to south-east alignment suggests that if it continues it would reach within the Site. It was not visible during the site visit (**Photograph 14**).
- 4.5.56 There is a potential for remains associated with these undated earthwork and cropmark features to be present within the Site (MLE404, MLE29441, MLE29457).

## 4.6 Historic Landscape Character

- 4.6.1 The Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Historic Landscape Characterisation (LLR HLC) Project commenced in April 2006 and has characterised the landscape in broad types and more detailed character types. The Site comprises three broad types, with the largest being Fields and Enclosed Lands. This HLC covers almost the entirety of the Site, however this type is broken down into multiple more detailed areas. Section 1 comprises a small area within Bradgate Park which is characterised as a park and garden while Section 2 crosses through a small area defined as Miscellaneous Floodplain Fields. Section 3 lies entirely within Miscellaneous Floodplain Fields (Leicestershire County Council 2010). The HLC of the Site is shown in **Figure 11**.
- 4.6.2 The northern part of Section one lies within Bradgate Park and part of the Parks and Gardens HLC. The below ground archaeological potential of most areas within this HLC is likely to be low although this will also depend on previous land use. However, parklands will typically contain many designed landscape features including carefully sited plantations, avenues of trees water bodies, paths, ha-has and other boundaries (Leicestershire County Council 2010)
- 4.6.3 The rest of Section 1 and most of Section 2 is made up of six types of HLC which fall within the broader category of Fields and Enclosed Land. While the Small Irregular Fields HLC is potential medieval or post-medieval in date, the remaining HLC are post-medieval to modern. The potential for below ground archaeology within these HLC is dependent upon previous land use and the agricultural regimes employed on the land since enclosure. Where fields have remained in permanent pasture for a significant period potential is likely to be higher (Leicestershire County Council 2010).
- 4.6.4 Section 3 and a small part of Section 2 lie within Miscellaneous Floodplain Fields. This category comprises areas of enclosure on river floodplain that do not fall into any of the Fields and Enclosed Land character types. Many of these fields will have traditionally been used as meadows. Areas falling into this category have a potential for containing the preserved earthwork remains of water meadows. Areas falling within this category will have a good potential for containing earthwork remains of water meadows. This character type will probably contain alluvial deposits. These deposits may be used for the provenancing of sediments, a range of landscape studies and for examining the past environments of river valleys. In addition, since river valleys have been amongst the most densely populated landscapes, there is a high potential for them to contain information about previous human settlement (Leicestershire County Council 2010).
- 4.6.5 Mature hedgerows within the Site may fulfil the criteria for being considered historically *Important* as defined under the *Hedgerows Regulations 1997* (as amended in 2002), and



could therefore be subject to statutory protection. These hedgerows represent an important element of the HLC of the area as they legibly define historically derived patterns of land management.

## **5 ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL AND SIGNIFICANCE**

### **5.1 Assessment of archaeological survival and previous impacts**

- 5.1.1 It is anticipated that, as the Site has not been previously developed, any disturbance to buried archaeological remains that may be present would be largely restricted to truncation caused by ploughing. The installation of drainage systems may also have caused localised disturbance, although this is unlikely to have significantly diminished the archaeological potential of the Site.
- 5.1.2 Where the Site intersects extant roads, modern construction and maintenance may have truncated earlier remains, particularly within more substantial roads. However, in lesser roads these impacts may be less significant, and archaeological remains could exist beneath the modern road surface.
- 5.1.3 Some parts of the Site lie within areas of previous intrusive archaeological investigation, and in these areas buried remains will have been truncated, removed and recorded.

### **5.2 Summary of archaeological potential and significance**

- 5.2.1 The archaeological potential of each section is summarised below, followed by a table showing heritage assets recorded within the Site. Areas of particular archaeological potential are highlighted in **Figure 12**. However, the extent of the areas does not denote the extent of potential archaeology.

#### *Section 1*

- 5.2.2 There is a potential for prehistoric remains to be present within Section 1 given the currently undated but possibly prehistoric features (MLE21925) within and near to the section. There have also been isolated prehistoric finds within the Study Area in close proximity, as well as the palaeolithic remains found in Bradgate Park although these were recovered some distance from the Site. The significance of any prehistoric remains would be associated with their archaeological interest, based on their ability to contribute to our understanding of prehistoric activity in the area.
- 5.2.3 There is also a potential for Romano-British remains within Section 1 which would most likely be associated with known settlement activity to the north, or the possible Roman road (MLE10657) which may traverse through Section 1. Such remains are likely to be locally significant depending on their type and survival, although remains associated with the possible Roman road could be of regional significance if present.
- 5.2.4 There is a potential for Anglo-Saxon to 19th century agricultural remains to be present within the Site given the known nearby Anglo-Saxon settlements, the evidence of medieval ridge and furrow and the known 19th century land-use. It is expected that archaeological remains of this nature would be of local significance at best.

#### *Section 2*

- 5.2.5 There is a potential for prehistoric and Romano-British remains associated with the Iron Age and Romano-British occupation near the northern half of Section 2 to be present within the Site. Such remains may be associated with settlement or agricultural practice during this

period. The significance of any remains would be associated with their archaeological interest, based on their ability to contribute to our understanding of prehistoric activity in the area (as per research aims of the East Midlands Research Framework 2006).

- 5.2.6 There is a potential for Anglo-Saxon to 19th century remains to be present within the Site. These are most likely to comprise agricultural features given the known nearby settlements and the recorded and suspected areas of ridge and furrow within Section 2 and the Study Area. Section 2 also intersects a possible medieval park boundary separate from Bradgate Park, and the now dismantled 19th century railway line. It is expected that archaeological remains of this nature would be of little or local significance. While the park boundary is separate and south of Bradgate Park, it may be of regional significance if any connection between the two is uncovered,
- 5.2.7 There is limited potential for remains from the modern period to be present within Section 1 and they considered to be associated with continued agricultural use of the area and suspected use of Bradgate Park during the Second World War Two. Such remains are expected to be limited heritage significance.

### Section 3

- 5.2.8 There is a limited potential for prehistoric remains to be present within Section 3 given the lack of nearby prehistoric activity which seems to have been concentrated to the north. Any single or isolated remains here would likely be of local significance.
- 5.2.9 There is a potential for Romano-British features to be present within Section 3. Although no assets are recorded within the Site, there is known Romano-British activity nearby as well as the line of Roman road 175 m to the north-east. Any remains associated with the Romano-British period may be related to occupation or agricultural practice and would be of local significance.
- 5.2.10 Given the Site's location within a Miscellaneous Floodplain Fields HLC, it lies within a river floodplain and was likely used as meadow. While earlier remains may be sealed within or under alluvial deposits, there is a limited potential for Anglo-Saxon to modern remains to be present within the Site. There is no evidence to suggest that the Site experienced significant activity during these periods, although there may be remains associated with water meadows. Such remains would likely be locally significant.

### Summary

- 5.2.11 The following table (**Table 1**) presents a summary of the known and potential elements of the historic environment resource within the Site and its vicinity, which could be physically affected by the development proposals, based on the information presented above.
- 5.2.12 Entries in the table are assigned a 'Potential' rating, which represents a measure of probability. This has been determined via the application of professional judgement, informed by the evidence presented in the preceding sections of this assessment. 'Potential' is expressed on a four-point scale, assigned in accordance with the following criteria:
- **High:** Situations where heritage assets are known or strongly suspected to be present within the Site or its vicinity and which are likely to be well preserved.
  - **Moderate:** Includes cases where there are grounds for believing that heritage assets may be present, but for which conclusive evidence is not currently available. This





*category is also applied in situations in which heritage assets are likely to be present, but also where their state of preservation may have been compromised.*

- **Low:** *Circumstances where the available information indicates that heritage assets are unlikely to be present, or that their state of preservation is liable to be severely compromised.*
- **Unknown:** *Cases where currently available information does not provide sufficient evidence on which to provide an informed assessment with regard to the potential for heritage assets to be present.*

5.2.13 The relative 'Significance' of known and potential heritage assets has been inferred based on professional judgement and through consideration of relevant research frameworks and known activity in vicinity.



**Table 1** Level of potential and known and potential heritage assets which may intersect Section 1

| Potential | Period and description                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Significance           |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| High      | Romano-British                          | Section 1 is located within the vicinity of areas of known Romano-British activity, including sites with evidence of occupation and industry. A Roman road may also continue and traverse through Section 1                                                                                                                                                               | Local to Regional      |
|           | Anglo-Saxon, Medieval and Post-medieval | Section 1 passes through Bradgate Park and there is potential that it cuts through the medieval park pale. In addition, Section 1 passes through areas of ridge and furrow that are suspected to be of medieval origin but could be post-medieval in date. There are also a number of known settlements in the area which may date back to the Anglo-Saxon period.        | Negligible to National |
| Moderate  | Prehistoric                             | A number of possible prehistoric features currently undated lie within proximity of Section 1, while there have also been isolated finds within the surrounding area. However, there is currently no evidence to suggest further activity associated with the Palaeolithic flint scatter identified in the southern section of Bradgate Park would be found in Section 1. | Local to Regional      |
|           | 19 <sup>th</sup> century                | Evidence of 19 <sup>th</sup> century date would be associated with the continued agricultural use of the land in which Section 1 passes through. Such remains would unlikely enhance our understanding of the later development of the agriscap as this activity is well documented on cartographic sources.                                                              | Negligible/local       |
| Low       | Modern                                  | Remains of modern date would be related to the continued use of Section 1 for agricultural purposes and associated with stray artefacts or isolated features.                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Negligible/Local       |

**Table 2** Level of potential and known and potential heritage assets which may intersect Section 2

| Potential       | Period and description                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Significance      |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>High</b>     | Prehistoric and Romano-British           | There is potential for prehistoric (Iron Age) and Romano-British remains within Section 2 due to the presence of several areas of activity recorded on the HER, and the location of Section 2 within an area of possible Iron Age settlement (MLE411).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Regional          |
|                 | Medieval and Post-medieval               | Section 2 passes through areas of ridge and furrow that are suspected to be of medieval origin but could be post-medieval in date. This section may also pass through a section of the eastern park pale for the medieval deer park.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Local to National |
| <b>Moderate</b> | Anglo-Saxon and 19 <sup>th</sup> century | Evidence of Anglo-Saxon and 19 <sup>th</sup> century date would be associated with agricultural use of the land given the known nearby early settlements and continued agricultural use into the 19th century. Section 2 also passes through 19th century features comprising a former railway line (MLE16161) and a turnpike road (MLE20653). Such remains would unlikely enhance our understanding of the later development of the landscape as this activity is well documented in cartographic sources. | Negligible/local  |
| <b>Low</b>      | Modern                                   | Remains of modern date would be related to the continued use of Section 2 for agricultural purposes and associated with stray artefacts or isolated features.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Negligible/Local  |

**Table 3** Level of potential and known and potential heritage assets which may intersect Section 3

| Potential       | Period and description                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Significance     |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Moderate</b> | Romano-British                                                            | There is potential for archaeological remains of Romano-British date as Section 3 lies in close proximity to a Roman road                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Local            |
| <b>Low</b>      | Anglo-Saxon, Medieval, Post-medieval, 19 <sup>th</sup> century and Modern | The existing evidence suggests a low potential for all remaining periods, inferred by recorded levels of activity on the L&RHER and through analysis of cartographic sources. If archaeological remains from these periods were encountered, they could be of Negligible to Regional significance, depending on their form, condition and rarity. | Negligible/Local |

## 6 STATEMENT OF HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE: BRADGATE PARK REGISTERED PARK AND GARDEN

### 6.1 Introduction

- 6.1.1 The following section provides a statement of significance for the Grade II Listed Bradgate Park Registered Park and Garden (NHLE 10000958). The statement of significance is largely based on information collated as part of this assessment from the L&RHER, documentary sources, notably the *Bradgate Park Parkland Plan* (Cookson & Tickner 2014), and the listing description as noted by Historic England. The listing description has been provided in **Appendix 4**

### 6.2 Description

- 6.2.1 The historical development of Bradgate Park has been comprehensively detailed in the *Bradgate Park Parkland Plan* (Cookson & Tickner, 2014); therefore, a full reiteration is unnecessary for this assessment.
- 6.2.2 Bradgate Park was established from the waste of Charnwood Forest and formed part of the Manor of Groby, granted to Hugh de Grentmesnil by William I in 1066. It is one of at least fifty parks that were established in Leicestershire during the Anglo-Saxon to Medieval periods. Cookson and Tickner (2014:18) suggest the presence of a medieval settlement near the park's centre, which is an unusual feature to be located within a medieval deer park that remains to be confirmed.
- 6.2.3 Throughout the medieval period, the estate changed hands multiple times before becoming the property of Thomas Grey, a member of the Royal Court, in 1485. Over the ensuing fifty years, the Grey family developed Bradgate Park as their principal seat, constructing a substantial Tudor mansion near its centre. During this period, the park was expanded, which involved the removal of medieval boundary features and the creation of new boundaries, a costly endeavour.
- 6.2.4 By the mid-18th century, the estate, having once again reverted to the Grey family, fell into decline as their wealth and prominence waned. Bradgate House was abandoned by 1739, and sections of the park boundary were replaced with more economical stone walls. A final phase of expansion occurred in the late 18th century, as illustrated by a plan by Thomas Sketchley, which depicts the park at its greatest extent, encompassing 737 acres (Cookson & Tickner 2014:26). This map also documents the construction of Old John Tower, a prominent folly that superseded a pre-existing windmill at the same location.
- 6.2.5 During the 19th century, Bradgate Park transitioned into a prominent tourist destination. The picturesque ruins of Bradgate House, coupled with the semi-curved landscape and striking geological formations, contributed to its reputation as a quintessential Romantic landscape. In this period, additional woodland plantings, or spinneys, were introduced in the northern areas to facilitate pheasant shooting. George Harry Grey, the 7th Earl of Stamford, constructed a new residence south of the park, though this too was abandoned by 1925.
- 6.2.6 In 1924, a descendant of the Grey family sold Bradgate Park to Charles Bennion who owned The British United Shoe Machinery Company, a leading manufacturer of boots and shoe in the East Midlands. The Park is later believed to have been utilised for military training during the Second World War, though the precise nature and extent of its wartime use remain poorly documented.

- 6.2.7 Beyond its historical development, Bradgate Park also bears evidence of activity predating its formal establishment, as discussed in Section 4. This includes the internationally significant Late Upper Palaeolithic site and a range of earthwork features potentially spanning from prehistoric to medieval periods. Additional features include a medieval moated site (a Scheduled Monument), evidence of medieval occupation, and architectural and landscape features associated with the Tudor park.
- 6.2.8 The boundary of the Registered Park and Garden encompasses the earliest extent of Bradgate Park, along with post-medieval extensions to the north and west, and includes most of its southern extent, which historically extended to Bradgate Road. The eastern extent of the Park was removed following the construction of Cropston Reservoir and the conversion of land in this area for agricultural use.

### 6.3 Historic interest

#### *Associative*

- 6.3.1 Bradgate Park was the principal seat of the Grey family who rose to prominence in the medieval period and were embroiled in the political intrigues of the Royal Court and later in Parliament. The family were involved in a number of key British events during their ownership of Bradgate Park, such as Thomas Grey being a signatory to the death warrant for King Charles I. However, the most well-known figure within the family is that of Lady Jane Grey who was proclaimed Queen on the 10th July 1533 until the 19th July 1533, historically referred to as the “Nine Days Queen”.
- 6.3.2 The park also has associative historic interest through its later ownership by Charles Bennion, who was of regional importance in the boot and shoe making industry in the East Midlands.

#### *Illustrative*

- 6.3.3 Although it has undoubtedly been impacted by the later changes to the boundaries, there is still an ability to appreciate its origins as a medieval deer park and later as an informal parkland landscape for a notable family. This is personified by the ever presence of the deer herds within the parkland but what survives of the park pale and other features that would have been used by the Grey family for the hunting and leisure pursuits from its inception right through to the eventual sale of the estate. In fact, the changes as a whole are a clear physical representation of changing ideals and attitudes with the elite of British society from the 11th through to the 19th centuries.

### 6.4 Architectural/Artistic interest

- 6.4.1 Over the course of its occupancy by the Grey family, Bradgate Park underwent a number of alterations that created a semi-wild landscape, from as early as the 19<sup>th</sup> century and became known for its Romanticism, with its stunted woodland (as a result of poor management), craggy and protruding geology and the replacement of the historic medieval park pale with stone walls, creating a sense of the moorlands of Scotland and North England. Indeed, the natural decay of Bradgate House at the centre of the Park due to a lack of direct human intervention has provided an evocative centrepiece to the landscape. Furthermore, these ruins can still provide us with information on the design and development of Tudor grand houses, with its ever-present towers, ornate banding and material palette.
- 6.4.2 Due to its landscape, Bradgate Park has been captured by a number of landscape artists, with two such examples being the local artist Edward Davis (1841-1920) and Louis Hage (1806-1885), who both produced a number of views of the Park.

## **6.5 Archaeological interest**

- 6.5.1 Previous investigations within Bradgate Park have shown that it sits within a landscape that has been occupied and used dating as far back as the Palaeolithic period. The Upper Palaeolithic site discovered to the west of Bradgate House is one of international importance and further activity could be present. While the potential for activity from the prehistoric to Romano-British periods within the Park is not well understood, there is clear evidence of occupation within its immediate surroundings. An earthwork in the northern section may be prehistoric in origin. The potential for archaeology of Anglo-Saxon to post-medieval is clear with its role as a medieval deer park, the proximity to a number of settlements (including one that may have existed within the Park) and its use as the principal seat by the Grey family. The Park may also have remains associated with a possible role during the Second World War as a training ground which needs to be further explored.

## **6.6 Setting**

- 6.6.1 The setting of Bradgate Park remains predominantly rural, though it has been significantly transformed since its initial development. What were once areas of wasteland have largely been converted to agricultural use, driven by advancements in farming practices. Additionally, Charnwood Forest has been considerably diminished over time. Cropston Reservoir, a more recent addition to the landscape on the park's eastern edge, offers a picturesque backdrop that enhances the park's romanticised appeal.
- 6.6.2 Both Cropston and Anstey have experienced significant modern development, with urban expansion beginning to encroach westward towards the Registered Park and Garden. However, these developments are currently not prominent from most vantage points within the parkland. Where visible, they appear as minor elements in an expansive green landscape, particularly when viewed from elevated positions such as Old John Tower. Similarly, while Newton Linford has undergone development along Bradgate Road, it is largely screened from view within the park and does not visually intrude.
- 6.6.3 From the elevated northern uplands of Bradgate Park, sweeping views extend to the east, west, and south, encompassing the undulating and scenic landscape beyond the park's boundaries. These expansive vistas significantly enhance the romanticised perception of the park and the surrounding countryside.
- 6.6.4 In conclusion, Bradgate Park's setting positively contributes to its heritage significance and enhances how we appreciate and experience its artistic interest.





## **7 IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

### **7.1 Introduction**

- 7.1.1 This section provides an initial assessment of the potential effects of the proposed development in relation to the historic environment resource.

### **7.2 Statement of Potential Impact**

#### *Designated heritage assets – Bradgate Park Registered Park and Garden*

- 7.2.1 The proposed development will have no physical impact on the Registered Park and Garden.
- 7.2.2 The proposed development may potentially provide an opportunity to enhance our understanding of Bradgate Park's development as investigations outside the Park may improve our understanding of its phasal development.
- 7.2.3 Although the proposed development would result in a change to the setting of Bradgate Park this would be temporary and fully reversed upon completion of construction activities.

#### *Designated heritage assets – other*

- 7.2.4 The proposed development will have no impact on buried archaeological remains associated with any other designated heritage assets. Given the nature of the proposed development and the absence of above-ground structures, there will be no impacts to any designated heritage assets as a result of a change within their setting.

#### *Archaeological remains*

- 7.2.5 The construction of the proposed development is anticipated to entail the following sources of ground disturbance and excavations:
- preliminary site investigation works;
  - setting up a secure construction compound within the Site;
  - plant movement;
  - topsoil stripping; and
  - excavation of trench for the installation of the new pipeline.

- 7.2.6 The aforementioned works have the potential to result in the damage to or loss of any buried archaeological features which may be present within their footprint. This could in turn result in a total or partial loss of significance of these heritage assets.

- 7.2.7 Any adverse impact to buried archaeological features would be permanent and irreversible in nature. This potential adverse effect could be reduced through the implementation of an appropriate scheme of archaeological mitigation.

#### *Historic Landscape Character*

- 7.2.8 The proposed works do not entail any above-ground structures, and the land will be reinstated following completion. The proposed development may impact some hedge lines which delineate the field boundaries and contribute to the HLC. However, given the small-



scale impact of the scheme, this is not expected to significantly alter any field boundaries or affect the ability to appreciate the layout of field parcels.

- 7.2.9 The proposed development will therefore have no appreciable effect on the HLC.

## **8 CONCLUSIONS**

### **8.1 General**

- 8.1.1 The effect of the development proposals on the known and potential heritage resource will be a material consideration in determination of the planning application. This study has identified no overriding cultural heritage constraints which are likely to prohibit development.

#### *Designated heritage assets*

- 8.1.2 The works have the potential to impact buried below-ground remains associated with Bradgate Park Grade II Registered Park and Garden (NHLE 1000958). However, the physical impacts will result in no harm to its heritage significance.
- 8.1.3 Given the nature of the proposed development and the absence of above-ground structures, it is expected that there will be no above-ground impact to the park, nor impacts to any designated heritage assets as a result of a change within their setting. The proposed development will also have no impact on buried archaeological remains associated with any other designated heritage assets.

#### *Archaeological remains*

##### Section 1 and Section 2

- 8.1.4 The assessment has established that there is an archaeological interest within Sections 1 and 2, defined as the potential for the presence of remains dating from the Anglo-Saxon period to the 19th century. These remains are likely to be associated with past agricultural and industrial activity and are anticipated to be of local significance at most.
- 8.1.5 There is also broad potential for archaeology dating to the Prehistoric and Romano-British periods, inferred from known levels of activity as recorded on the historic environment record. These could be of local to regional significance.

##### Section 3

- 8.1.6 Section 3 has limited potential for Romano-British archaeology given its proximity to a Roman road. These are likely to be of local significance and contribute to our understanding of landscape use during the Romano-British period.
- 8.1.7 Due to a lack of previous archaeological investigation, the presence, location and significance of any buried archaeological remains within the Site cannot currently be confirmed on the basis of the available information. As such it is likely that additional investigations may be required by the archaeological advisor to Charnwood Borough Council, Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council and Blaby District Council.
- 8.1.8 The need for, scale, scope and nature of any further archaeological works should be agreed through consultation with the statutory authorities.

#### *Historic Landscape Character*

- 8.1.9 The proposed development will have no appreciable impact on the HLC of the Site.



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<https://opendomesday.org/> – Domesday survey information

<http://www.historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list> – information on designated assets

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## APPENDICES

### Appendix 1: Terminology

#### Glossary

The terminology used in this assessment follows definitions contained within Annex 2 of NPPF:

|                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Archaeological interest</b>            | There will be archaeological interest in a heritage asset if it holds, or potentially holds, evidence of past human activity worthy of expert investigation at some point.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Conservation (for heritage policy)</b> | The process of maintaining and managing change to a heritage asset in a way that sustains and, where appropriate, enhances its significance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Designated heritage asset</b>          | A World Heritage Site, Scheduled Monument, Listed Building, Protected Wreck Site, Registered Park and Garden, Registered Battlefield or Conservation Area designated under the relevant legislation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Heritage asset</b>                     | A building, monument, site, place, area or landscape identified as having a degree of significance meriting consideration in planning decisions, because of its heritage interest. It includes designated heritage assets and assets identified by the local planning authority (including local listing).                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Historic environment</b>               | All aspects of the environment resulting from the interaction between people and places through time, including all surviving physical remains of past human activity, whether visible, buried or submerged, and landscaped and planted or managed flora.                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Historic environment record</b>        | Information services that seek to provide access to comprehensive and dynamic resources relating to the historic environment of a defined geographic area for public benefit and use.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Setting of a heritage asset</b>        | The surroundings in which a heritage asset is experienced. Its extent is not fixed and may change as the asset and its surroundings evolve. Elements of a setting may make a positive or negative contribution to the significance of an asset, may affect the ability to appreciate that significance or may be neutral.                                                                                                      |
| <b>Significance (for heritage policy)</b> | The value of a heritage asset to this and future generations because of its heritage interest. The interest may be archaeological, architectural, artistic or historic. Significance derives not only from a heritage asset's physical presence, but also from its setting. For World Heritage Sites, the cultural value described within each site's Statement of Outstanding Universal Value forms part of its significance. |

#### Chronology

Where referred to in the text, the main archaeological periods are broadly defined by the following date ranges:

| Prehistoric         |                   | Historic              |                  |
|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| <b>Palaeolithic</b> | 970,000–10,000 BC | <b>Romano-British</b> | AD 43–410        |
| <b>Mesolithic</b>   | 10,000–4000 BC    | <b>Anglo-Saxon</b>    | AD 410–1066      |
| <b>Neolithic</b>    | 4000–2400 BC      | <b>Medieval</b>       | AD 1066–1500     |
| <b>Bronze Age</b>   | 2400–700 BC       | <b>Post-medieval</b>  | AD 1500–1800     |
| <b>Iron Age</b>     | 700 BC–AD 43      | <b>19th century</b>   | AD 1800–1899     |
|                     |                   | <b>Modern</b>         | 1900–present day |



## Appendix 2: Legislative and planning framework

### Designated Heritage Assets

| Designation                                                       | Associated Legislation                                                                        | Overview                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| <b>World Heritage Sites</b>                                       | -                                                                                             | The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) World Heritage Committee inscribes World Heritage Sites for their Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) – <i>cultural and/or natural significance which is so exceptional as to transcend national boundaries and to be of common importance for present and future generations of all humanity</i> . England protects its World Heritage Sites and their settings, including any buffer zones or equivalent, through the statutory designation process and through the planning system. The National Planning Policy Framework sets out detailed policies for the conservation and enhancement of the historic environment, including World Heritage Sites, through both plan-making and decision-taking.                                                                           |
| <b>Scheduled Monuments and Areas of Archaeological Importance</b> | <i>Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979</i>                                    | Under the <i>Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979</i> , the Secretary of State (DCMS) can schedule any site which appears to be of national importance because of its historic, architectural, traditional, artistic or archaeological interest. The historic town centres of Canterbury, Chester, Exeter, Hereford and York have been designated as Archaeological Areas of Importance under Part II of the <i>Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979</i> . Additional controls are placed upon works affecting Scheduled Monuments and Areas of Archaeological Importance under the Act. The consent of the Secretary of State (DCMS), as advised by Historic England, is required for certain works affecting Scheduled Monuments.                                                                                              |
| <b>Listed Buildings</b>                                           | <i>Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990</i>                            | In England, under Section 1 of the <i>Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990</i> , the Secretary of State is required to compile lists of buildings of special architectural or historic interest, on advice from English Heritage/Historic England. Works affecting Listed Buildings are subject to additional planning controls administered by Local Planning Authorities. Historic England is a statutory consultee in certain works affecting Listed Buildings. Under certain circumstances, Listed Building Consent is required for works affecting Listed Buildings.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Conservation Areas</b>                                         | <i>Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990</i>                            | A Conservation Area is an area which has been designated because of its special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance. In most cases, Conservation Areas are designated by Local Planning Authorities. Section 72 (1) of the <i>Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990</i> requires authorities to have regard to the fact that there is a Conservation Area when exercising any of their functions under the Planning Acts and to pay special attention to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of Conservation Areas. Although a locally administered designation, Conservation Areas may nevertheless be of national importance and significant developments within a Conservation Area are referred to Historic England. |
| <b>Registered Parks and Gardens and Registered Battlefields</b>   | <i>Historic Buildings and Ancient Monuments Act 1953</i><br><i>National Heritage Act 1983</i> | The Register of Parks and Gardens was established under the <i>National Heritage Act 1983</i> . The Battlefields Register was established in 1995. Both Registers are administered by Historic England. These designations are non-statutory but are, nevertheless, material considerations in the planning process. Historic England and The Garden's Trust (formerly known as The Garden History Society) are statutory consultees in works affecting Registered Parks and Gardens.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Protected Wreck Sites</b>                                      | <i>Protection of Wrecks Act 1973</i>                                                          | The <i>Protection of Wrecks Act 1973</i> allows the Secretary of State to designate a restricted area around a wreck to prevent uncontrolled interference. These statutorily protected areas are likely to contain the remains of a vessel, or its contents, which are of historical, artistic or archaeological importance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |





## National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)

| <b>NPPF Section 16: Conserving and enhancing the historic environment</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| <b>Para. 200</b>                                                          | In determining applications, local planning authorities should require an applicant to describe the significance of any heritage assets affected, including any contribution made by their setting. The level of detail should be proportionate to the assets' importance and no more than is sufficient to understand the potential impact of the proposal on their significance. As a minimum the relevant historic environment record should have been consulted and the heritage assets assessed using appropriate expertise where necessary. Where a site on which development is proposed includes, or has the potential to include, heritage assets with archaeological interest, local planning authorities should require developers to submit an appropriate desk-based assessment and, where necessary, a field evaluation.                                    |
| <b>Para. 201</b>                                                          | Local planning authorities should identify and assess the particular significance of any heritage asset that may be affected by a proposal (including by development affecting the setting of a heritage asset) taking account of the available evidence and any necessary expertise. They should take this into account when considering the impact of a proposal on a heritage asset, to avoid or minimise any conflict between the heritage asset's conservation and any aspect of the proposal.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Para. 203</b>                                                          | In determining applications, local planning authorities should take account of:<br>a) the desirability of sustaining and enhancing the significance of heritage assets and putting them to viable uses consistent with their conservation;<br>b) the positive contribution that conservation of heritage assets can make to sustainable communities including their economic vitality; and<br>c) the desirability of new development making a positive contribution to local character and distinctiveness.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Para. 205</b>                                                          | When considering the impact of a proposed development on the significance of a designated heritage asset, great weight should be given to the asset's conservation (and the more important the asset, the greater the weight should be). This is irrespective of whether any potential harm amounts to substantial harm, total loss or less than substantial harm to its significance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Para. 206</b>                                                          | <p>Any harm to, or loss of, the significance of a designated heritage asset (from its alteration or destruction, or from development within its setting), should require clear and convincing justification. Substantial harm to or loss of:</p> <p>a) grade II listed buildings, or grade II registered parks or gardens, should be exceptional;<br/>b) assets of the highest significance, notably scheduled monuments, protected wreck sites, registered battlefields, grade I and II* listed buildings, grade I and II* registered parks and gardens, and World Heritage Sites, should be wholly exceptional<sup>72</sup>.</p> <p><sup>72</sup> Non-designated heritage assets of archaeological interest, which are demonstrably of equivalent significance to scheduled monuments, should be considered subject to the policies for designated heritage assets.</p> |
| <b>Para. 207</b>                                                          | <p>Where a proposed development will lead to substantial harm to (or total loss of significance of) a designated heritage asset, local planning authorities should refuse consent, unless it can be demonstrated that the substantial harm or total loss is necessary to achieve substantial public benefits that outweigh that harm or loss, or all of the following apply:</p> <p>a) the nature of the heritage asset prevents all reasonable uses of the site; and<br/>b) no viable use of the heritage asset itself can be found in the medium term through appropriate marketing that will enable its conservation; and<br/>c) conservation by grant-funding or some form of not for profit, charitable or public ownership is demonstrably not possible; and<br/>d) the harm or loss is outweighed by the benefit of bringing the site back into use.</p>           |
| <b>Para. 208</b>                                                          | Where a development proposal will lead to less than substantial harm to the significance of a designated heritage asset, this harm should be weighed against the public benefits of the proposal including, where appropriate, securing its optimum viable use.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |



| <b>NPPF Section 16: Conserving and enhancing the historic environment</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| <b>Para. 209</b>                                                          | The effect of an application on the significance of a non-designated heritage asset should be taken into account in determining the application. In weighing applications that directly or indirectly affect non-designated heritage assets, a balanced judgement will be required having regard to the scale of any harm or loss and the significance of the heritage asset.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Para. 211</b>                                                          | <p>Local planning authorities should require developers to record and advance understanding of the significance of any heritage assets to be lost (wholly or in part) in a manner proportionate to their importance and the impact, and to make this evidence (and any archive generated) publicly accessible<sup>73</sup>. However, the ability to record evidence of our past should not be a factor in deciding whether such loss should be permitted.</p> <p><sup>73</sup>Copies of evidence should be deposited with the relevant historic environment record, and any archives with a local museum or other public depository.</p> |
| <b>Para. 212</b>                                                          | Local planning authorities should look for opportunities for new development within Conservation Areas and World Heritage Sites, and within the setting of heritage assets, to enhance or better reveal their significance. Proposals that preserve those elements of the setting that make a positive contribution to the asset (or which better reveal its significance) should be treated favourably.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Para. 213</b>                                                          | Not all elements of a Conservation Area or World Heritage Site will necessarily contribute to its significance. Loss of a building (or other element) which makes a positive contribution to the significance of the Conservation Area or World Heritage Site should be treated either as substantial harm under paragraph 207 or less than substantial harm under paragraph 208, as appropriate, taking into account the relative significance of the element affected and its contribution to the significance of the Conservation Area or World Heritage Site as a whole.                                                             |
| <b>Para. 214</b>                                                          | Local planning authorities should assess whether the benefits of a proposal for enabling development, which would otherwise conflict with planning policies but which would secure the future conservation of a heritage asset, outweigh the disbenefits of departing from those policies.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |



## Local Planning Policy

| Charnwood Local Plan 2011 to 2028 (November 2015) |          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| CS 14                                             | Heritage | <p>We will conserve and enhance our historic assets for their own value and the community, environmental and economic contribution they make. We will do this by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• requiring development proposals to protect heritage assets and their setting;</li><li>• supporting development which prioritises the refurbishment and re-use of disused or under used buildings of historic or architectural merit or incorporates them sensitively into regeneration schemes;</li><li>• working with our partners to prepare Conservation Area Character Statements, Landscape Character Assessments and Village Design Statements;</li><li>• supporting developments which have been informed by and reflect Conservation Area Character Appraisals, Landscape Character Appraisals and Village Design Statements;</li><li>• supporting developments which incorporate Charnwood's distinctive local building materials and architectural details;</li><li>• supporting the viable and sustainable use of heritage assets at risk of neglect or loss, providing such development is consistent with the significance of the heritage asset, especially where this supports tourism or business development;</li><li>• securing improvements to the following 'at risk' heritage assets through our major developments:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– the Temple of Venus, Garendon Park, Ashby Road, Loughborough</li><li>– the Triumphal Arch, Garendon Park, Ashby Road, Loughborough</li><li>– Roman villa north of Hamilton Grounds Farm, Barkby Thorpe</li><li>– Garendon Park, Ashby Road, Loughborough</li><li>– Shepshed Conservation Area</li><li>– Taylor's Bell Foundry, Freehold Street, Loughborough</li></ul></li></ul> |

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| DM 11                                                                | Protecting and Enhancing the Historic Environment | <p>The Borough Council will protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment throughout the borough. This will be done through the careful management of development that might adversely impact both designated and non-designated heritage assets.</p> <p>All development proposals which have the potential to affect a heritage asset or its setting will be required to demonstrate:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) An understanding of the significance of the heritage asset and its setting; and</li><li>b) The impact of the proposal on the significance of the asset and its setting, including measures to minimise or avoid these impacts; and</li><li>c) How the benefits of the proposal will outweigh any harm caused; and</li><li>d) Any impact on archaeology in line with Policy DM13.</li></ol> |
| DM 12                                                                | Heritage Assets                                   | <p>All development proposals affecting heritage assets and their setting will be expected to secure their continued protection or enhancement, contribute to the distinctiveness of the areas in which they are located and contribute to the wider vibrancy of the borough.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |



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|                                                                      |       | <p>All development proposals affecting the significance of heritage assets and their setting will be assessed in accordance with Policy DM11: Protecting and Enhancing the Historic Environment and will require justification as set out in this policy.</p> <p>All development proposals will need to accord with Policy DM10: Development and Design.</p> <p><b>Listed Buildings</b></p> <p>Proposals for the change of use, extensions and alterations of listed buildings and development affecting the setting of listed buildings will only be permitted where it is demonstrated that the proposals are compatible with the significance of the building and its setting.</p> <p><b>Conservation Areas</b></p> <p>Development proposals should ensure the significance of a conservation area is preserved and enhanced through the consideration and inclusion of important features (as identified in the Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan) including, but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Appropriate boundary treatments which reflect the local style and materials which are characteristic of the conservation area;</li><li>b) The preservation and enhancement of key views and/or vistas in and out of the Conservation Area;</li><li>c) The replacement of dead or dying important trees and hedgerows with those of the same or similar species;</li><li>d) Reinforce or mirror the historic street pattern and plan form where feasible;</li><li>e) The use of sensitively styled street furniture;</li><li>f) The use of natural building materials, preferably locally sourced; and</li><li>g) The retention of key spaces within the conservation area.</li></ul> <p>Proposals which seek to improve identified neutral and negative areas inside designated conservation areas, which also lead to the overall enhancement of the conservation area, will be supported and encouraged.</p> <p>All applications which include the demolition of buildings and means of enclosure within a Conservation Area must propose an adequate replacement which enhances the character and appearance of the conservation area. Conditions will be imposed to ensure demolition does not occur until immediately prior to the redevelopment or remediation.</p> <p><b>Historic Landscapes</b></p> <p>Proposals affecting historic landscapes, their features or setting should have regard to their significance and be justified in line with Policy DM11.</p> <p>Development proposals within or adjacent to the historic landscape of Bosworth Battlefield should seek to better reveal the historic significance of the area.</p> <p>Proposals which adversely affect the Bosworth Battlefield or its setting should be wholly exceptional and accompanied by clear and convincing justification. Such proposals will be assessed against their public benefits.</p> <p>Particular regard will be had to maintaining topographical features, archaeological remains or the potential expansion of the Battlefield.</p> <p>Proposals which seek to enhance the educational or tourism provision associated with the Bosworth Battlefield will be encouraged where they comply with other policies in the Local Plan.</p> <p><b>Scheduled Monuments</b></p> <p>Proposals which adversely affect a scheduled monument or its setting should be wholly exceptional and accompanied by clear and convincing justification.</p> |



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|                                                                      |                                      | <b>Locally Important Heritage Assets</b><br>Assets identified on the Locally Important Heritage Asset List should be retained and enhanced wherever possible. The significance of the assets illustrated in the List and the impact on this significance should be demonstrated and justified in line with Policy DM11.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| DM 13                                                                | Preserving the Borough's Archaeology | <p>Where a proposal has the potential to impact a site of archaeological interest, developers should set out in their application an appropriate desk-based assessment and, where applicable, the results of a field evaluation detailing the significance of any affected asset.</p> <p>Where applicable, justified and feasible the local planning authority will require remains to be preserved in situ ensuring appropriate design, layout, ground levels, foundations and site work methods to avoid any adverse impacts on the remains.</p> <p>Where preservation of archaeological remains in situ is not feasible and/or justified the local planning authority will require full archaeological investigation and recording by an approved archaeological organisation before development commences.</p> |

| Local Plan (Core Strategy) Development Plan Document (February 2013) |                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| CS20                                                                 | Historic Environment and Culture | <p>Strategic objectives</p> <p>v) To improve the design quality of all new developments in the District including the need to design out crime; and</p> <p>vii) To preserve and enhance the cultural heritage of the District, recognising its contribution to Local Distinctiveness and to seek design solutions which preserve and enhance heritage assets where they are impacted by development.</p> <p>Blaby District has a number of important buildings, sites and areas of historic value including Scheduled Monuments (SMs), Listed Buildings, Conservation Areas, archaeological remains and other heritage assets. These (including heritage assets most at risk through neglect, decay or other threats) will be preserved, protected and where possible enhanced.</p> <p>The Council takes a positive approach to the conservation of heritage assets and the wider historic environment through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Considering proposals for development on, in, or adjacent to historic sites, areas and buildings against the need to ensure the protection and enhancement of the heritage asset and its setting. Proposed development should avoid harm to the significance of historic sites, buildings or areas, including their setting.</li><li>b) Expecting new development to make a positive contribution to the character and distinctiveness of the local area.</li><li>c) Ensuring that development in Conservation Areas is consistent with the identified special character of those areas, as well as working, where appropriate, to identify other areas of special architectural merit or historic interest in designating additional Conservation Areas;</li><li>d) Securing the viable and sustainable future of heritage assets through uses that are consistent with the heritage asset and its conservation; and</li><li>e) Promoting heritage assets in the District as tourism opportunities where appropriate.</li></ul> |



| Local Plan (Delivery) Development Plan Document (February 2019) |                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| Policy 12                                                       | Designated and Non-designated Heritage Assets | <p>All new development should seek to avoid harm to the heritage assets of the District. Development proposals that conserve or enhance the historic environment will be supported.</p> <p>All proposals affecting either a designated or non-designated heritage asset and/or its setting will need to submit a statement which includes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• a description of the heritage asset and its setting, proportionate to its significance;</li><li>• a clear identification of the impacts of the development proposal on the heritage asset and its setting;</li><li>• a clear justification as to why the impacts could be considered acceptable; and</li><li>• demonstrate how the proposal is consistent with Core Strategy Policy CS20</li></ul> <p>The Council will consider the submitted information having regard to the importance of the heritage asset(s) as follows:</p> <p><u>Designated heritage assets</u><br/>Designated heritage assets and their settings (including Listed Buildings, Scheduled Monuments and Conservation Areas) will be given the highest level of protection to ensure that they are conserved and enhanced in a manner appropriate to their significance and contribution to the historic environment.</p> <p>Where substantial harm is identified, proposals will only be supported in exceptional circumstances in accordance with national planning guidance. Where a less than substantial level of harm is identified the scale of harm will be weighed against the public benefits of the proposal.</p> <p><u>Non-designated heritage assets</u><br/>A balanced consideration will be applied to proposals which may impact non-designated heritage assets. Proposals will be supported where the benefits of the scheme are considered to outweigh the scale of any harm or loss, having regard to the significance of the heritage asset.</p> |



## Appendix 3: Gazetteer

### Designated heritage assets

| NHLE No. | HER No.                            | Name                                                                         | Designation                         | Period        | Easting | Northing |
|----------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------|----------|
| 1017680  | MLE129                             | Moated site and garden enclosure at Glenfield                                | Scheduled Monument                  | Medieval      | 453510  | 306080   |
| 1074630  | MLE14061,<br>MLE14063,<br>MLE14065 | 6 Former Filter Beds, Water Tank and Steps at Cropston Reservoir Water Works | Grade II Listed Building            | 19th century  | 455086  | 455086   |
| 1074631  | MLE14062                           | Tunnel Mouth, Stream Bed and Pipe at Cropston Reservoir Water Works          | Grade II Listed Building            | 19th century  | 455119  | 455119   |
| 1074632  | MLE13972                           | The Lodge                                                                    | Grade II Listed Building            | 19th century  | 454926  | 454926   |
| 1074633  | MLE14067                           | 2, Causeway Lane                                                             | Grade II Listed Building            | Post-medieval | 455347  | 455347   |
| 1074636  | MLE14078                           | Corner Cottage                                                               | Grade II Listed Building            | Post-medieval | 455363  | 455363   |
| 1074637  | MLE14085                           | The Old House                                                                | Grade II Listed Building            | Post-medieval | 455401  | 455401   |
| 1074710  | MLE11071                           | 1 and 3, The Square                                                          | Grade II Listed Building            | Post-medieval | 453864  | 453864   |
| 1178081  | MLE14060                           | Pumping Houses at Cropston Reservoir Water Works                             | Grade II Listed Building            | 19th century  | 454990  | 454990   |
| 1178122  | MLE14064                           | 4 Former Filter Beds, Water Tank and Steps at Cropston Reservoir Water Works | Grade II Listed Building            | 19th century  | 455122  | 455122   |
| 1178186  | MLE14070                           | Cropstone House (Farmhouse)                                                  | Grade II Listed Building            | Post-medieval | 455386  | 455386   |
| 1178288  | MLE14077                           | The Thatch                                                                   | Grade II Listed Building            | Post-medieval | 455342  | 455342   |
| 1178321  | MLE14079,<br>MLE14080              | 18 and 20, Station Road                                                      | Grade II Listed Building            | Post-medieval | 455418  | 455418   |
| 1178333  | MLE14084                           | 3 and 5, Station Road                                                        | Grade II Listed Building            | Post-medieval | 455370  | 455370   |
| 1295169  | MLE14066                           | 9, Causeway Lane                                                             | Grade II Listed Building            | 19th century  | 455312  | 455312   |
| 1295171  | MLE14068                           | 8, Causeway Lane                                                             | Grade II Listed Building            | Post-medieval | 455320  | 455320   |
| 1361059  | MLE11072                           | Tunnel Entrance                                                              | Grade II Listed Building            | 19th century  | 454513  | 454513   |
| 1361098  | MLE14069                           | The Gate House                                                               | Grade II Listed Building            | Post-medieval | 455266  | 455266   |
| 1361100  | MLE14081,<br>MLE14082,<br>MLE14083 | Nos 32 and 34 and Outbuildings to rear                                       | Grade II Listed Building            | Post-medieval | 455457  | 455457   |
| 1000958  | MLE18331                           | Bradgate Park                                                                | Grade II Registered Park and Garden | Post-medieval | 453234  | 310510   |
| -        | -                                  | Cropston                                                                     | Conservation Area                   | Medieval      | 455441  | 310934   |
| -        | -                                  | Glenfield                                                                    | Conservation Area                   | Medieval      | 453735  | 306073   |





## Heritage assets recorded by L&RHER

| HER No.  | Name                                                                       | Period         | Easting | Northing |
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| MLE15734 | Flint blade found at 218-224 Bradgate Road, Anstey                         | Mesolithic     | 454067  | 308959   |
| MLE7054  | Mesolithic flint from north of Stone Lodge, Groby                          | Mesolithic     | 453943  | 307594   |
| MLE7161  | Prehistoric flint from south of Bybrook Farm, Cropston                     | Neolithic      | 455359  | 311762   |
| MLE17465 | Neolithic axe from north-west of Anstey                                    | Neolithic      | 454760  | 309871   |
| MLE1025  | Bronze Age burials from Rothley Sandpit, north of Thurmaston               | Bronze Age     | 456500  | 312300   |
| MLE6553  | Beehive quern from south-west of Manor Farm, Groby                         | Iron Age       | 453903  | 308255   |
| MLE6458  | Iron Age pottery from south of Bybrook Farm, Cropston                      | Iron Age       | 455359  | 311762   |
| MLE9386  | Iron Age coin from Groby                                                   | Iron Age       | 453148  | 306775   |
| MLE6562  | Iron Age/Roman quern north of Cropston Reservoir                           | Iron Age       | 454504  | 311403   |
| MLE21944 | Undated earthwork bank, Hallgates, Newtown Linford                         | Iron Age       | 454243  | 311036   |
| MLE19828 | Possible Iron Age/Roman enclosures, south-east of Sheet Hedges Wood, Groby | Iron Age       | 453395  | 308304   |
| MLE27225 | Possible Iron Age/Roman enclosures and pits, east of Groby Quarries        | Iron Age       | 453097  | 308189   |
| MLE27226 | Possible Iron Age circular enclosure, north of Markfield Road, Groby       | Iron Age       | 453498  | 307634   |
| MLE411   | Iron Age site south-west of Anstey Cemetery                                | Iron Age       | 454051  | 307863   |
| MLE6554  | Possible Roman site, Blacklands Field, Groby                               | Iron Age       | 453588  | 307857   |
| MLE7700  | Roman coin from south-east of Branting Hill, Glenfield                     | Romano-British | 453922  | 306594   |
| MLE7758  | Roman pottery from south of Cropston Reservoir, west of Cropston           | Romano-British | 454952  | 310751   |
| MLE7731  | Roman pottery from High Leys Farm, Anstey                                  | Romano-British | 453734  | 308949   |
| MLE7757  | Roman pottery from west of Cropston Reservoir, Newtown Linford             | Romano-British | 454273  | 310896   |
| MLE7786  | Roman finds from north-west of Guild Close, Cropston                       | Romano-British | 455521  | 311307   |
| MLE24279 | Roman site east of Groby Quarries, Groby                                   | Romano-British | 453139  | 308112   |
| MLE10657 | Possible Roman road Long Lane, north of Manor Farm, Anstey                 | Romano-British | 454287  | 309162   |
| MLE4345  | 'Via Devana' Roman road                                                    | Romano-British | 443963  | 309926   |
| MLE1037  | Roman site south of Bybrook Farm, Cropston                                 | Romano-British | 455340  | 311810   |
| MLE1045  | Roman occupation/kiln site, Causeway Lane, west of Cropston                | Romano-British | 455106  | 310700   |
| MLE2770  | Roman site, south-east of Sheet Hedges Wood, Groby                         | Romano-British | 453286  | 308119   |
| MLE413   | Roman site south-west of Anstey Cemetery                                   | Romano-British | 454258  | 307827   |
| MLE735   | Possible Roman site north-west of Anstey                                   | Romano-British | 454761  | 309869   |



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| MLE6631  | Medieval coin from 49 Overdale Avenue, Glenfield                           | Anglo-Saxon | 453566  | 306973   |
| MLE9537  | Medieval pendant, Groby                                                    | Anglo-Saxon | 452368  | 306375   |
| MLE6633  | Medieval finger ring from east of Glenfield Mill                           | Anglo-Saxon | 453635  | 306188   |
| MLE6120  | Anglo-Saxon brooch from south of Bybrook Farm, Cropston                    | Anglo-Saxon | 455359  | 311762   |
| MLE6681  | Medieval key from north of Bradgate Road, Cropston                         | Anglo-Saxon | 455749  | 311651   |
| MLE123   | Possible windmill site north-east of Brickyard Farm, Glenfield             | Anglo-Saxon | 453575  | 306350   |
| MLE6678  | Medieval and post-medieval finds, Reservoir Road, Cropston                 | Anglo-Saxon | 455268  | 310863   |
| MLE757   | Medieval rabbit warren, Conery, Newtown Linford                            | Anglo-Saxon | 454339  | 310442   |
| MLE1042  | Viking coin hoard from north-west of Guild Close, Cropston                 | Anglo-Saxon | 455521  | 311307   |
| MLE21924 | Medieval Park Pale, Coppice Wood, Newtown Linford                          | Anglo-Saxon | 453939  | 310979   |
| MLE17059 | Leicester Forest Area C, The Frith                                         | Anglo-Saxon | 455115  | 305217   |
| MLE22663 | Leicester Forest Area B                                                    | Anglo-Saxon | 455887  | 306840   |
| MLE744   | Medieval farmstead south of Cropston Reservoir, west of Cropston           | Anglo-Saxon | 454621  | 310584   |
| MLE748   | Early medieval extent of Bradgate Park, Newtown Linford                    | Anglo-Saxon | 453598  | 310236   |
| MLE8521  | Enclosure west of the Glenfield moated site                                | Anglo-Saxon | 453489  | 306067   |
| MLE9282  | Historic settlement core of Glenfield                                      | Anglo-Saxon | 453666  | 306107   |
| MLE125   | Medieval watermill at Glenfield                                            | Medieval    | 453390  | 306094   |
| MLE6679  | Medieval key from north of the Hind Sisters Home, Cropston                 | Medieval    | 455449  | 311152   |
| MLE6632  | Medieval cauldron from north of the dismantled railway, Glenfield          | Medieval    | 453815  | 306452   |
| MLE9280  | Possible medieval structure, Old Glebe Farm, 3 Kirby Lane, Glenfield       | Medieval    | 453588  | 306045   |
| MLE20544 | Medieval pottery from south of Cropston Reservoir, west of Cropston        | Medieval    | 454734  | 310683   |
| MLE6684  | Medieval finds from north-west of Guild Close, Cropston                    | Medieval    | 455521  | 311307   |
| MLE20876 | Old road to Cropston, Thurcaston                                           | Medieval    | 455965  | 310572   |
| MLE20877 | Sandham Bridge Road, old road, Thurcaston                                  | Medieval    | 456231  | 311026   |
| MLE21921 | Medieval hollow way running north-west from the Deer Barn, Newtown Linford | Medieval    | 453633  | 310451   |
| MLE21922 | Earlier medieval Park Pale west of Dale Wood, Newtown Linford              | Medieval    | 453318  | 311032   |
| MLE21943 | Medieval bank north of Deer Park Wood, Normanton le Heath                  | Medieval    | 453725  | 310659   |
| MLE29075 | Possible medieval park boundary, Groby/Ratby                               | Medieval    | 451212  | 308049   |
| MLE1044  | Historic settlement core of Cropston                                       | Medieval    | 455374  | 310874   |
| MLE11070 | THE OLD TUDOR RECTORY, MAIN STREET, GLENFIELD                              | Medieval    | 453739  | 306052   |



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| MLE128   | Medieval site west of Barrow Lane, Glenfield                                                              | Medieval      | 453498  | 306208   |
| MLE129   | Medieval moated site at Glenfield                                                                         | Medieval      | 453551  | 306113   |
| MLE14069 | THE GATE HOUSE, 20 CAUSEWAY LANE (SOUTH SIDE), CROPSTON                                                   | Medieval      | 455266  | 310797   |
| MLE14077 | THE THATCH, 2 STATION ROAD (NORTH SIDE), CROPSTON                                                         | Medieval      | 455340  | 310887   |
| MLE21516 | Hallgates (Bradgate Lodge), Roeclyffe Road, Newtown Linford                                               | Medieval      | 454208  | 311449   |
| MLE21938 | Medieval ridge and furrow earthworks, Hallgates, Newtown Linford                                          | Medieval      | 454217  | 311159   |
| MLE2783  | Medieval fishpond north-east of the Reservoir/possibly Nere Mulnopol, Groby                               | Medieval      | 453007  | 308004   |
| MLE29447 | Medieval ridge and furrow earthworks west of Station Road, Glenfield                                      | Medieval      | 454281  | 306708   |
| MLE29448 | Medieval ridge and furrow earthworks, Stelle Way, Glenfield                                               | Medieval      | 454758  | 307099   |
| MLE29450 | Former ridge and furrow earthworks, south of Dimmingsdale Wood, Newtown Linford                           | Medieval      | 453819  | 309707   |
| MLE29451 | Medieval ridge and furrow earthworks, Ruskin Field, Anstey                                                | Medieval      | 454463  | 309219   |
| MLE29452 | Former medieval ridge and furrow earthworks, west of Ruskin Field, Anstey                                 | Medieval      | 454156  | 309204   |
| MLE29453 | Former medieval ridge and furrow earthworks, Anstey High Leys, Anstey                                     | Medieval      | 453835  | 309022   |
| MLE29455 | Medieval ridge and furrow earthworks south of Manor Farm, Anstey                                          | Medieval      | 454211  | 308354   |
| MLE29456 | Former medieval ridge and furrow earthworks next to Anstey Cemetery, Anstey                               | Medieval      | 454469  | 307946   |
| MLE742   | Medieval brick kilns, The Dumps, Newtown Linford                                                          | Medieval      | 454251  | 310109   |
| MLE743   | Clay extraction, The Dumps, Newtown Linford                                                               | Medieval      | 454298  | 310025   |
| MLE749   | Later medieval extent of Bradgate Park, Newtown Linford                                                   | Medieval      | 453922  | 310393   |
| MLE7342  | Post-medieval finds from north of Bradgate Road, north-east of Cropston                                   | Post-medieval | 455749  | 311651   |
| MLE23709 | Site of possible post-medieval building, Coppice Plantation, Bradgate Park, Newtown Linford               | Post-medieval | 454117  | 310997   |
| MLE23710 | Possible site of post-medieval building, south of Sliding Stone Enclosure, Bradgate Park, Newtown Linford | Post-medieval | 453198  | 311142   |
| MLE29479 | Site of framework knitters workshop, 16, Main Street, Glenfield                                           | Post-medieval | 453809  | 306104   |
| MLE20653 | Turnpike Road, Leicester to Ashby-de-la-Zouch                                                             | Post-medieval | 447085  | 311652   |
| MLE11071 | 1 & 3 THE SQUARE, GLENFIELD                                                                               | Post-medieval | 453867  | 306135   |
| MLE126   | Glenfield Mill                                                                                            | Post-medieval | 453390  | 306094   |
| MLE14067 | THE OLD COTTAGE, 2 CAUSEWAY LANE (SOUTH SIDE), CROPSTON                                                   | Post-medieval | 455348  | 310854   |
| MLE14068 | 8 CAUSEWAY LANE (SOUTH SIDE), CROPSTON                                                                    | Post-medieval | 455321  | 310833   |
| MLE14070 | CROPSTONE HOUSE FARMHOUSE, CROPSTONE ROAD (WEST SIDE), CROPSTON                                           | Post-medieval | 455384  | 310781   |
| MLE14071 | BARN AT CROPSTONE HOUSE FARMHOUSE, CROPSTONE ROAD (WEST SIDE), CROPSTON                                   | Post-medieval | 455404  | 310784   |
| MLE14078 | CORNER COTTAGE, 6 STATION ROAD (NORTH SIDE), CROPSTON                                                     | Post-medieval | 455367  | 310903   |



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| MLE14079 | 18 STATION ROAD (NORTH SIDE), CROPSTON                                                         | Post-medieval | 455414  | 310909   |
| MLE14080 | 20 STATION ROAD (NORTH SIDE), CROPSTON                                                         | Post-medieval | 455420  | 310909   |
| MLE14081 | NO 32, STATION ROAD (NORTH SIDE), CROPSTON                                                     | Post-medieval | 455465  | 310935   |
| MLE14082 | COTTAGE TO REAR OF 32 STATION ROAD (NORTH SIDE), CROPSTON                                      | Post-medieval | 455453  | 310937   |
| MLE14083 | OUTBUILDING TO REAR, 32 & 34 STATION ROAD (NORTH SIDE), CROPSTON                               | Post-medieval | 455440  | 310959   |
| MLE14084 | 3 & 5 STATION ROAD (SOUTH SIDE), CROPSTON                                                      | Post-medieval | 455366  | 310878   |
| MLE14085 | THE OLD HOUSE, 9 STATION ROAD (SOUTH SIDE), CROPSTON                                           | Post-medieval | 455402  | 310883   |
| MLE18331 | Post-medieval/modern extent of Bradgate Park, Newtown Linford                                  | Post-medieval | 453140  | 310612   |
| MLE18595 | Avenue of trees to the east of Bradgate House, Newtown Linford                                 | Post-medieval | 453917  | 310300   |
| MLE18597 | Outbuildings south of Bradgate House, Newtown Linford                                          | Post-medieval | 453574  | 310112   |
| MLE18601 | Watermeadow west of Cropston Reservoir, Newtown Linford                                        | Post-medieval | 453939  | 310185   |
| MLE22004 | Old Glebe Farm, Kirby Road, Glenfield                                                          | Post-medieval | 453599  | 306051   |
| MLE22011 | 3, Main Street, Glenfield                                                                      | Post-medieval | 453798  | 306123   |
| MLE22013 | Glenfield House, The Square, Glooston                                                          | Post-medieval | 453831  | 306143   |
| MLE28721 | The Nag's Head Public House, Station Road, Glenfield                                           | Post-medieval | 453939  | 306193   |
| MLE28723 | Railway Hotel (Public House), Station Road, Glenfield                                          | Post-medieval | 454215  | 306492   |
| MLE28724 | Gynsills Farmhouse Public House, Glenfield                                                     | Post-medieval | 454786  | 306947   |
| MLE29004 | Possible post-medieval trackway, east of Swithland Wood, Swithland                             | Post-medieval | 454408  | 311830   |
| MLE29439 | Post-medieval stone works, Kirby Grange, Ratby                                                 | Post-medieval | 452334  | 305640   |
| MLE9281  | Old Glebe Farm, 3 Kirby Lane, Glenfield                                                        | Post-medieval | 453583  | 306043   |
| MLE26215 | Site of Quaker Meeting House, The Square, Glenfield                                            | 19th Century  | 453817  | 306127   |
| MLE11072 | TUNNEL ENTRANCE, STEPHENSON COURT, GLENFIELD                                                   | 19th Century  | 454531  | 306480   |
| MLE16161 | Grobby Mineral Railway                                                                         | 19th Century  | 452170  | 307209   |
| MLE14065 | STEPS AT CROPSTON RESERVOIR WATER WORKS, BRADGATE ROAD (SOUTH SIDE), CROPSTON                  | 19th Century  | 455050  | 311348   |
| MLE18026 | Leicester to Swannington Railway/Midland Railway West Bridge branch                            | 19th Century  | 453522  | 306189   |
| MLE13972 | THE LODGE, BRADGATE ROAD (SOUTH SIDE), CROPSTON                                                | 19th Century  | 454926  | 311469   |
| MLE14060 | PUMPING HOUSES AT CROPSTON RESERVOIR WATER WORKS, BRADGATE ROAD (SOUTH SIDE), CROPSTON         | 19th Century  | 454989  | 311360   |
| MLE14061 | SIX FORMER FILTER BEDS AT CROPSTON RESERVOIR WATER WORKS, BRADGATE ROAD (SOUTH SIDE), CROPSTON | 19th Century  | 455072  | 311218   |



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| MLE14062 | TUNNEL MOUTH, STREAM BED & PIPE AT CROPSTON RESERVOIR WATER WORKS, BRADGATE ROAD (SOUTH SIDE), CROPSTON | 19th Century | 455120  | 311128   |
| MLE14063 | WATER TANK AT CROPSTON RESERVOIR WATER WORKS, BRADGATE ROAD (SOUTH SIDE), CROPSTON                      | 19th Century | 455117  | 311392   |
| MLE14064 | FOUR FORMER FILTER BEDS AT CROPSTON RESERVOIR WATER WORKS, BRADGATE ROAD (SOUTH SIDE), CROPSTON         | 19th Century | 455109  | 311356   |
| MLE14066 | 9 CAUSEWAY LANE (NORTH SIDE), CROPSTON                                                                  | 19th Century | 455312  | 310858   |
| MLE16076 | Glenfield Railway Tunnel                                                                                | 19th Century | 455276  | 306327   |
| MLE16810 | Cropston Reservoir, west of Cropston                                                                    | 19th Century | 454514  | 310856   |
| MLE19925 | Railway bridge, rear of Co-op, Glenfield                                                                | 19th Century | 453885  | 306380   |
| MLE22005 | The White House, 1, Kirby Road, Glenfield                                                               | 19th Century | 453642  | 306044   |
| MLE22006 | 33, Main Street, Glenfield                                                                              | 19th Century | 453663  | 306074   |
| MLE22007 | The Forge Inn, Main Street, Glenfield                                                                   | 19th Century | 453728  | 306103   |
| MLE22008 | The Old School, 8, Main Street, Glooston                                                                | 19th Century | 453755  | 306088   |
| MLE22009 | 5,7 & 9, Main Street, Glenfield                                                                         | 19th Century | 453790  | 306118   |
| MLE22010 | 11-15, Main Street, Glenfield                                                                           | 19th Century | 453776  | 306114   |
| MLE22012 | 19, Main Street, Glenfield                                                                              | 19th Century | 453747  | 306114   |
| MLE22032 | Methodist Church, Station Road, Glenfield                                                               | 19th Century | 453955  | 306162   |
| MLE22033 | 1-2, The Balk, Glenfield                                                                                | 19th Century | 453961  | 306138   |
| MLE22307 | Groby Quarries, Newtown Linford Lane, Groby, Newtown Linford                                            | 19th Century | 452639  | 308293   |
| MLE23552 | GYNSILL COURT, GYNSILL LANE, ANSTEY                                                                     | 19th Century | 454696  | 307392   |
| MLE23732 | HALLGATE FILTER STATION, ROECLIFFE ROAD, NEWTOWN LINFORD                                                | 19th Century | 453685  | 311722   |
| MLE25064 | Nonconformist Union Chapel (Free Church), Station Road, Cropston                                        | 19th Century | 455398  | 310919   |
| MLE26923 | The Mews, Storer Road, Anstey                                                                           | 19th Century | 454712  | 307429   |
| MLE28583 | Site of Glenfield Railway Station, Stephenson Court, Glenfield                                          | 19th Century | 454321  | 306517   |
| MLE28999 | Cropston Pumping Station, Bradgate Road, Cropston                                                       | 19th Century | 455075  | 311285   |
| MLE29404 | Premier Brick and Terra Cotta Works, Mill Lane Industrial Estate, Glenfield                             | 19th Century | 452930  | 305964   |
| MLE29446 | Post-medieval extraction pit, Station Road, Glenfield                                                   | 19th Century | 454275  | 306423   |
| MLE29475 | Post-medieval brickworks and clay pits, Mill Lane Industrial Estate, Glenfield                          | 19th Century | 453343  | 306140   |
| MLE24826 | Spigot mortar emplacement south of Groby Road, Glenfield                                                | Modern       | 454220  | 306960   |
| MLE29427 | Site of Engine House, south of Rothley Brook, Anstey                                                    | Modern       | 454569  | 307561   |



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| MLE28388 | The Hind Sisters Homes, 58-74 Station Road (evens), Cropston                               | Modern  | 455518  | 311023   |
| MLE28722 | Progress Works, Station Road, Glenfield                                                    | Modern  | 454156  | 306447   |
| MLE29445 | C20th sand pit, Sandown Court, Glenfield                                                   | Modern  | 454058  | 306183   |
| MLE738   | Possible rectangular cropmarks south of Cropston Reservoir, south-west of Cropston         | Undated | 454827  | 310512   |
| MLE16059 | Geophysical anomalies, Stone Lodge, Groby                                                  | Undated | 453631  | 307394   |
| MLE29459 | Possible undated road between Bradgate Park and Anstey                                     | Undated | 454150  | 309600   |
| MLE29441 | Undated linear feature north-west of the Mill Lane Industrial Estate, Glenfield            | Undated | 453338  | 306358   |
| MLE21910 | Undated ditches north-east of Thorn Spinney, Newtown Linford                               | Undated | 453526  | 309939   |
| MLE21925 | Undated ditches north-west of Coppice Wood, Newtown Linford                                | Undated | 453814  | 311360   |
| MLE21941 | Undated hollow ways/tracks north of Deer Park Wood, Newtown Linford                        | Undated | 453967  | 310766   |
| MLE29457 | Undated cropmark linear features, A46, north-east of Glenfield Millennium Green, Glenfield | Undated | 454085  | 307489   |
| MLE403   | Possible ring ditch cropmark north of High Leys, Newtown Linford                           | Undated | 453235  | 309130   |
| MLE404   | Earthwork north of Anstey High Leys, Anstey                                                | Undated | 453706  | 309339   |
| MLE9928  | Cobbled area at 218-224 Bradgate Road, Anstey                                              | Undated | 454088  | 308973   |

### Previous archaeological investigations

| HER No.  | Name                                                                                 | Type                  | Easting | Northing |
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| ELE10744 | 2017 excavations at Bradgate House (Leicester University fieldschool season 3)       | Excavation            | 453406  | 310180   |
| ELE11161 | 2019 trial trenching, land adjacent to 293, Bradgate Road, Anstey, Leicestershire    | Evaluation            | 453885  | 309351   |
| ELE11281 | 2020 watching brief, Hallgates to Field Head, Leicestershire                         | Watching brief        | 452791  | 311585   |
| ELE11928 | 2022 geophysical survey, Anstey Lane, Groby, Leicestershire                          | Geophysical survey    | 453495  | 307900   |
| ELE11939 | 2006 desk-based assessment of land at Branting Hill, Groby, Leicestershire           | Desk-based assessment | 453668  | 307408   |
| ELE318   | 1985 fieldwalking south of Bybrook Farm, Cropston                                    | Fieldwalking          | 455405  | 311818   |
| ELE4232  | 2005 trial trenching on land between 218-224, Bradgate Road, Anstey                  | Evaluation            | 454066  | 308959   |
| ELE4482  | 2006 geophysical survey report, Groby, Leicestershire                                | Geophysical survey    | 453708  | 307425   |
| ELE4515  | 2006 environmental appraisal, Branting Hill, Groby                                   | Desk-based assessment | 453657  | 307424   |
| ELE4536  | 2006 trial trenching on land at Branting Hill, Groby                                 | Evaluation            | 453708  | 307425   |
| ELE4554  | 2006 desk-based assessment for land at Gynsill Court, Gynsill Lane, Anstey           | Desk-based assessment | 454680  | 307396   |
| ELE4677  | 2005 fieldwalking to south of track that crosses field NGR SK 520 060, east of Ratby | Fieldwalking          | 452110  | 306029   |
| ELE4748  | 2000 fieldwalking to south of Cropston Reservoir                                     | Fieldwalking          | 454607  | 310609   |





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| ELE4939 | 2002 desk-based assessment for land between 218-224 Bradgate Road, Anstey, Leicestershire       | Desk-based assessment | 454077  | 308965   |
| ELE5176 | 1997-98 excavation at The Gynsills, Glenfield                                                   | Excavation            | 454895  | 307067   |
| ELE5376 | 2003 trial trenching of land between 218-224, Bradgate Road, Anstey, Leicestershire             | Evaluation            | 454077  | 308965   |
| ELE5393 | 1992 trial trenching, Anstey Pastures, Leicester Western By-Pass site 2                         | Evaluation            | 454646  | 307082   |
| ELE5397 | 1993 trial trenching in Groby Road Anstey for the A46 Western By-Pass                           | Evaluation            | 454197  | 307828   |
| ELE5398 | 1994 trial trenching in Groby Road, Anstey for the A46 Western By-Pass                          | Evaluation            | 454197  | 307828   |
| ELE5782 | 2001 work during refurbishment of the Old Tudor Rectory, Main Street, Glenfield, Leicestershire | Watching brief        | 453691  | 306028   |
| ELE5783 | 1997/8 trial trenching and recording at The Gynsills, Glenfield, Leicestershire                 | Evaluation            | 454895  | 307067   |
| ELE58   | 1992 fieldwalking on the line of the A46 Leicester Western Bypass, Glenfield                    | Fieldwalking          | 452877  | 304815   |
| ELE6016 | 2004 trial trenching on land at Bradgate Road, Anstey                                           | Evaluation            | 454295  | 309104   |
| ELE6194 | 1997 desk-based archaeological assessment of land at 80 Station Road, Cropston, Leicestershire  | Desk-based assessment | 455629  | 311148   |
| ELE6262 | 1997 desk-based archaeological assessment of land at Gynsills, Glenfield, Leicestershire.       | Desk-based assessment | 454895  | 307067   |
| ELE6365 | 2003 historic building assessment of The Old School, Main Street, Glenfield, Leicestershire     | Survey                | 453755  | 306088   |
| ELE6957 | 1997 trial trenching, 80 Station Road, Cropston, Leicestershire                                 | Evaluation            | 455629  | 311148   |
| ELE7150 | 2007 LIDAR analysis, M1 Junction 21-30 widening                                                 | LiDAR analysis        | 450598  | 306972   |
| ELE7687 | 2011 trial trenching, land off Anstey Lane, Groby                                               | Evaluation            | 453391  | 308291   |
| ELE7727 | 2009 desk-based assessment, land at M1 Junction 21A, Glenfield and Kirby Muxloe                 | Desk-based assessment | 453206  | 305246   |
| ELE7741 | 2008 geophysical survey, County Hall, Glenfield, Leicestershire                                 | Geophysical survey    | 454854  | 306872   |
| ELE7865 | 2007 watching brief at The Gate House, 20, Causeway Lane, Cropston                              | Watching brief        | 455257  | 310791   |
| ELE8240 | 2012 desk-based assessment, Derwent Valley Aqueduct Triplication Route, Leicestershire          | Desk-based assessment | 454081  | 311712   |
| ELE8295 | 1986 fieldwalking, north of the A50                                                             | Fieldwalking          | 453142  | 308124   |
| ELE8442 | 2012 trial trenching (phase 1), land off Groby Road, Anstey                                     | Evaluation            | 454387  | 308237   |
| ELE8444 | 2010/11 geophysical survey of land at Groby Road, Anstey                                        | Geophysical survey    | 454312  | 308247   |
| ELE8574 | 2012 desk-based assessment, The Brant Inn, Groby, Leicestershire                                | Desk-based assessment | 453582  | 307119   |
| ELE8592 | 2013 trial trenching (phase 2), land off Groby Road, Anstey                                     | Evaluation            | 454410  | 307711   |
| ELE8679 | 2012 geophysical survey, Glenfield Park Northern Employment Area, Glenfield                     | Geophysical survey    | 452903  | 305572   |
| ELE8757 | 2013 strip, plan and sample excavation on land adjacent to 15, Groby Road, Glenfield            | Excavation            | 454347  | 307031   |
| ELE877  | 1977 fieldwalking, south-east of Sheet Hedges Wood, Groby                                       | Fieldwalking          | 453403  | 308078   |
| ELE9160 | 2013 desk-based assessment of land at Gynsill Court, Gynsill Drive, Anstey                      | Desk-based assessment | 454626  | 307439   |
| ELE9370 | 2014 LiDAR and ground truthing, Bradgate Park                                                   | LiDAR analysis        | 453142  | 310615   |





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| ELE9386  | 2013 trial trenching at the Glenfield Northern Employment Area                                                           | Evaluation            | 452934  | 305563   |
| ELE9955  | 2016 desk-based assessment, land at Bradgate Road, Anstey                                                                | Desk-based assessment | 453885  | 309351   |
| ELE6811  | 1998 watching brief along the Rothley Valley Trunk Sewer extension, Leicestershire                                       | Watching brief        | 450078  | 304808   |
| ELE6812  | 1997 assessment, Rothley Valley Trunk Sewer extension, Scheme No E63 00M 250                                             | Desk-based assessment | 450078  | 304807   |
| ELE6815  | 1997 walkover and fieldwalking survey on the Rothley Valley Trunk Sewer extension scheme no. E63 00M 250, Leicestershire | Fieldwalking          | 450077  | 304807   |
| ELE6958  | 1996 watching brief during new raw water main laying from Cropston to Anstey, Leicestershire                             | Watching brief        | 455380  | 310836   |
| ELE7134  | 1993 watching brief along the A46 Leicester Western By-pass                                                              | Watching brief        | 455898  | 309016   |
| ELE7736  | 2007 photographic survey of Glenfield Railway Tunnel, Leicester                                                          | Survey                | 455327  | 306319   |
| ELE8910  | 2013 desk-based assessment, Hallgates to Elms Farm, Ratby, Leicestershire                                                | Desk-based assessment | 451558  | 305198   |
| ELE8911  | 2013 desk-based assessment, Hallgates to Elms Farm Updated Route, Ratby, Leicestershire                                  | Desk-based assessment | 451688  | 304880   |
| ELE9039  | 2011 archaeological assessment, Ratcliffe to Enderby (4YZ) OHL Level 1                                                   | Desk-based assessment | 456490  | 313289   |
| ELE9024  | 2004 walkover survey for M1 Junctions 21-30                                                                              | Fieldwalking          | 448811  | 316327   |
| ELE9925  | 2013 watching brief, Derwent Valley Aqueduct Triplication                                                                | Watching brief        | 454256  | 312329   |
| ELE11280 | 2019 watching brief, Hallgates to Field Head, Leicestershire                                                             | Watching brief        | 452755  | 311577   |
| ELE11283 | 2017-18 watching brief, Hallgates to Gilrose, Cropston, Leicestershire                                                   | Watching brief        | 455209  | 311193   |
| ELE11316 | 2006 survey of ventilation shafts, Glenfield Tunnel                                                                      | Survey                | 454933  | 306396   |
| ELE9385  | 2014 watching brief, Hallgates to Elms Farm Pipeline                                                                     | Watching brief        | 452265  | 305531   |
| ELE12383 | 1998 watching brief, rear of 80, Station Road, Cropston, Leicestershire                                                  | Watching brief        | 455463  | 311310   |
| ELE165   | 1983 excavations, north of Anstey High Leys                                                                              | Excavation            | 453622  | 309385   |
| ELE2517  | 1992 fieldwalking north of Stone Lodge, Groby                                                                            | Fieldwalking          | 453900  | 307500   |
| ELE254   | 1943 fieldwork south of Cropston Reservoir                                                                               | Excavation            | 454600  | 310600   |
| ELE2951  | 1979 fieldwalking south of Cropston Reservoir                                                                            | Fieldwalking          | 454900  | 310700   |
| ELE3195  | 1981-2 fieldwalking, south of Cropston Reservoir                                                                         | Fieldwalking          | 454600  | 310600   |
| ELE56    | 1984-5 excavations, west of Barrow Lane, Glenfield                                                                       | Excavation            | 453500  | 306100   |
| ELE10811 | 1979 survey work, south-east of Sheet Hedges Wood                                                                        | Geophysical survey    | 453296  | 308115   |
| ELE10975 | 2000 excavation, Old Glebe Farm, Glenfield                                                                               | Excavation            | 453588  | 306045   |
| ELE10981 | 1977 fieldwalking, Blacklands                                                                                            | Fieldwalking          | 453600  | 307800   |
| ELE10982 | 1986 fieldwalking, Blacklands                                                                                            | Fieldwalking          | 453600  | 307800   |
| ELE11534 | 2020 building recording, Glenfield Methodist Church, Station Road, Glenfield, Leicestershire                             | Building recording    | 453950  | 306154   |



| HER No.  | Name                                                                              | Type              | Easting | Northing |
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| ELE12397 | 1986 investigations, south of Cropston Reservoir, Newtown Linford, Leicestershire | Field observation | 454237  | 310122   |

## Appendix 4: Bradgate Park Registered Park and Garden (NHLE 10000958)

### Details

A medieval deer park, enclosed by 1241 and with later improvements, notably C18 stone walling and plantations, surviving as a public park. Within the park are the ruins of Bradgate House, a brick mansion begun in the 1490s and abandoned in the C18, associated with which are the earthwork remains of its garden.

### Historic Development

At the time of the Conquest Bradgate was part of the manor of Groby, within the waste of Charnwood Forest. The manor formed part of the possessions of the heiress Elizabeth Ferrers, who in 1427 married Edward, younger son of Lord Reginald Grey, third Baron Grey of Ruthin. Their son, Sir John Grey, married the wealthy Elizabeth Woodville, and they had two sons, Thomas and Richard. After the second Battle of St Albans in 1461 in which Sir John was killed, the Grey estates were confiscated. Elizabeth then secretly married Edward IV and had a son Edward, who after the death of Edward IV was almost certainly murdered by Richard III along with his brother Richard, 'The Princes in the Tower'. After the death of Richard III at Bosworth Field in 1485 the family fortunes revived, and Thomas Grey was created Marquis of Dorset. From about 1490 he began to create a major new manorial base at Bradgate in place of Groby, enlarging the park and beginning the construction of a large brick mansion within it. He died in 1501 before the house was complete, and it was his son, Thomas, second Marquis, who completed the work and was the first of the family to live there. He died in 1530, and was succeeded by his son Henry, who was created Duke of Suffolk in 1554 but beheaded later in the same year. The same fate also befell his daughter, Lady Jane Grey, who had been born at Bradwell in 1537 and brought up there before her marriage in 1553 to Lord Guildford Dudley and subsequent proclamation as Queen on the death of Edward VI. Bradgate was confiscated, but restored to the family in 1603 when Henry Grey (d 1614), the nephew of the third Marquis, was created Baron Grey of Groby. He made Bradgate his seat. His heir was his grandson Henry (d 1673), who in 1628 was created Earl of Stamford as acknowledgement of his wife's position as co-heir of William Cecil, second Earl of Exeter. His son Thomas, who predeceased him, was among the regicides. Thomas, the second Earl of Stamford, was the first Earl's grandson; during his time at Bradgate, in 1696, it was visited by William III. On his death in 1720 his estates and title passed to his cousin Henry Grey of Enville (Staffordshire, qv); Bradgate appears, effectively, to have been abandoned, and by the middle of the century was becoming ruinous. The park remained in the family until 1928 when it was bought by Charles Bennion, a local industrialist, who presented it to 'the people of Leicester for their quiet enjoyment'. Its administration was placed in the hands of the Bradgate Park Trust, which remains (1998) the managing body.

### Description Location, Area, Boundaries, Landform, Setting

Bradgate Park lies c 10km north of Leicester, on high ground on the south-east side of Charnwood Forest. The forest's remaining wastes were inclosed by Act of 1808, and the grid-like fields adjoining the park are of this date. It overlooks Cropston Reservoir, opened in 1870, which bounds the park to the east. The southern boundary runs along Bradgate Road, the northern a track leading west from Hallgates and the western follows field edges parallel to and east of Sharply Hill, the road leading north from Newtown Linford village. The area here registered is c 325ha.

**ENTRANCES AND APPROACHES** There are numerous gates into the park, spaced every few hundred metres around its perimeter. Adjoining the entrances at the north-west (Hunt's Hill) and north-east (Hallgates) corners there are car parks. The third main entrance is at the south-west

corner, from Newtown Linford. An engraving of 1794 (reproduced in Chandler 1993, 279) indicates that one of the main approaches to the mansion was at that date the track, then tree lined, which today passes between Holly Plantation and Thorn Spinney.

**Principal Building:** Standing in the south-eastern quarter of the park are the ruins of Bradgate House (listed grade II\*), a brick mansion begun c 1490 by Thomas Grey and almost finished at the time of his death in 1501. It was of conventional U-plan, the long, east/west hall having projecting bays in the re-entrant angles, asymmetrical porches on the north and south sides, and a semicircular bay at the north, dias end. The south wing contained the private apartments, that to the west a kitchen and services. The only roofed portion of the House is the chapel, which leads off a solar east of the hall. This contains the monument to Henry Grey (d 1614), first Baron Grey of Groby, and his wife. Running east from the south-east corner of the mansion is a massive, diapered, stone and red-brick terrace wall (listed grade II\*) of the early C16 which retains the 100m square level area to its north, known as the Tiltyard. The House was abandoned in 1720 on the death of the second Earl of Stamford in favour of the family's other seat at Enville.

Immediately outside the south-east corner of the Tiltyard are the ruins of a mill, fed from the triangular pond north of the House. When visited by Leland c 1540 he described the House as a lodge, and noted how a 'good and vigorous water supply has been channelled through the lodge by Master Brook (seemingly against the gradient) to turn a mill nearby' (Chandler 1993, 280).

**Gardens and Pleasure Grounds:** On the east side of the House is a 100m square, brick-walled enclosure, probably laid out c 1500. The ground within is retained by the massive wall with external buttresses along its south side (listed grade II), its lower part of granite and slate rubble and its upper part, visible from within the complex, of brick. The interior of the enclosure is laid to grass, and has flat raised walks around the four sides. The enclosure is known as the Tiltyard, and was possibly built by the first Earl of Dorset, a celebrated jousting, as a practice ground. From at least the later C17 the enclosure was a walled lawn, divided by paths into quarters and with steps up onto the raised walks. These are shown on a drawing of the House made by Knyff c 1700 (reproduced in Stevenson and Squires 1994, 16) as are other walled compartments, probably kitchen and fruit gardens, to its east and along the north side of the whole complex. These are mostly represented today by wall footings. Knyff's view also shows how the leet down the east side of the Tiltyard had been made into a formal canal, crossed by a bridge. Before 1720 (map reproduced in Cantor and Squires 1997, 47) an avenue of Spanish chestnuts was planted running east from the House on the Cropston approach; no trace of these survives today.

Some 100m north of the Tiltyard is a triangular fishpond from which the House was supplied with water and the mill to its south-east powered.

**Park:** The main car park lies at the south-west end of the valley, immediately outside the park. A broad tarmac path leads east from it, along the north side of the river, across a wide grass plain, past the south side of Bradgate House to the park's Visitor Centre, and then north-east up the edge of the park to the Hallgates car park.

Bradgate Park is roughly square, and c 2km in diameter. It is almost wholly contained within a 2m tall stone wall, the north and west sides of the park being walled in the 1740s and much of the south and south-east in the 1790s. Its main topographical feature is the River Lyn, shallow and c 10m wide, which runs from east to west across its southern part and feeds Cropston Reservoir, which lies immediately east of the park. Near the south-west corner of the park the Lyn passes through a wooded valley with rocky outcrops called Little Matlock, and here the stream along the bottom of the valley was dammed c 1870 to create a chain of four ponds. The Wishing Stone, 400m north-east of the south-west entrance to the park, marks the site of a dam created c 1500 for a pond. From this

water was carried in the leet which runs north-west to the triangular pond north of Bradgate House. Little Matlock, which is c 400m long, is one of the most densely wooded sections of the park, and both ancient oaks, some bearing the evidence of pollarding and others of coppicing, and coniferous and other specimen trees of C19 and later date, grow among the rocky outcrops of its sides.

At the east end of Little Matlock the sometimes dense cover of ancient oaks continues along the land south of the Lyn, which is reserved as a deer sanctuary and not open to the public. To the north of the river, however, a broad, largely treeless, grass plain opens out at the end of Little Matlock, with the ruins of Bradgate House standing prominently 500m to the east. The plain is crossed by a 2m tall stone wall, like the park wall constructed c 1740, which passes along the north side of Little Matlock before running north-eastwards across the plain and to the north of the House. The wall divides the rising ground of the High Park, to the north, from the Low Park. Within the former, and one of the most distinctive features of the park, are six stone-walled woods and plantations, each roughly oval and most of them c 300m in diameter. These were created and walled c 1830 as cover for pheasants. Three other walled spinneys of that date lie in the Low Park. In the High Park the ground rises to the north, with the highest point being Old John, a rocky knoll close to the north-west corner of the park. On its top stands Old John Tower (listed grade II), a round, two-storey, crenellated gothick tower of 1784 to which a gothick arch was added some years later. It serves both as an eyecatcher and (although not currently accessible) as a viewing tower. Set in to the rock on the south side of the Tower are the surviving portions of stables built in the mid C19 for the seventh earl of Stamford's race horses, which ran on a course laid out in the park. Some 200m to the south-west on a lower knoll is the Leicester Yeomanry War Memorial (listed grade II) of 1920, a 10m high, granite chip, concrete obelisk on a stepped plinth. It incorporates a cross and wreaths and has plaques recording the fallen of both World Wars.

On the south side of the path through the park, midway between the east end of Little Matlock and Bradgate House, is the Pheasantry, a square enclosure surrounded by a 2.5m tall stone wall, perhaps C19. An enclosure, perhaps as now used for deer management, was already present here c 1700; in the C19 it was used as a pheasantry. A bridge south-west of Bradgate House marks the old approach to it from Leicester. The Visitor Centre, 500m east-north-east of the House, is an L-plan brick and stone complex, built in the mid C19 as a deer barn and agricultural buildings. To its south-west is a level area of improved grassland, improved in the early C19 as a water meadow to supplement the park's grazing. Two hundred metres north of the Visitor Centre is the Warden's Lodge, built c 1870 to replace a house lost beneath the new Cropston Reservoir. Also covered by the water is the site of the park's rabbit warren, and possibly at least a part of the area occupied by the medieval settlement of Bradgate. That had forty-one tax payers in 1377 and twenty-nine c 1400. The village was apparently removed c 1490 when the House and enlarged park were created; its inhabitants may have been rehoused in Newton Linford, immediately outside the southern boundary of the park. Ridge and furrow in the north-east corner of the park, east of Coppice Plantation, is believed to be part of Bradgate's open field land, inclosed c 1500. Similarly, ridge and furrow in the south-west corner of the park represents field land belonging to Newton Linford taken into the park about the same time.

A park was enclosed at Bradgate before 1241. It was probably oval and c 2km in diameter from east to west, its longer axis. Parts of its western and north-western boundary bank are traceable c 500m west and north-west of Bradgate House, running south from Anstey Tops (where oaks of c 1500 stand on the bank) past the east end of Little Matlock, the east side of Elder Plantation and then through Dale Spinney. Also extant is a length of its north-eastern boundary 1km north-east of the House to the south-east of Coppice Plantation. The site of this park's lodge is marked by a moated site on the north side of the main path c 250m west of Bradgate House. About 1500 the park was more than doubled in size and it was probably then that the park's present north, south and west



boundaries were established, while the east boundary ran up to a kilometre east of the later one, encompassing inter alia the area now occupied by Cropston Reservoir.

The public had been admitted to the park on a regular basis since the early C19. In 1928 it was given to Leicester City by Charles Bennion for recreational purposes, and in 1970 was designated a country park. As far as is known the park has always contained deer; since the later C18 there have usually been c 300 head, about half red and the remainder fallow.

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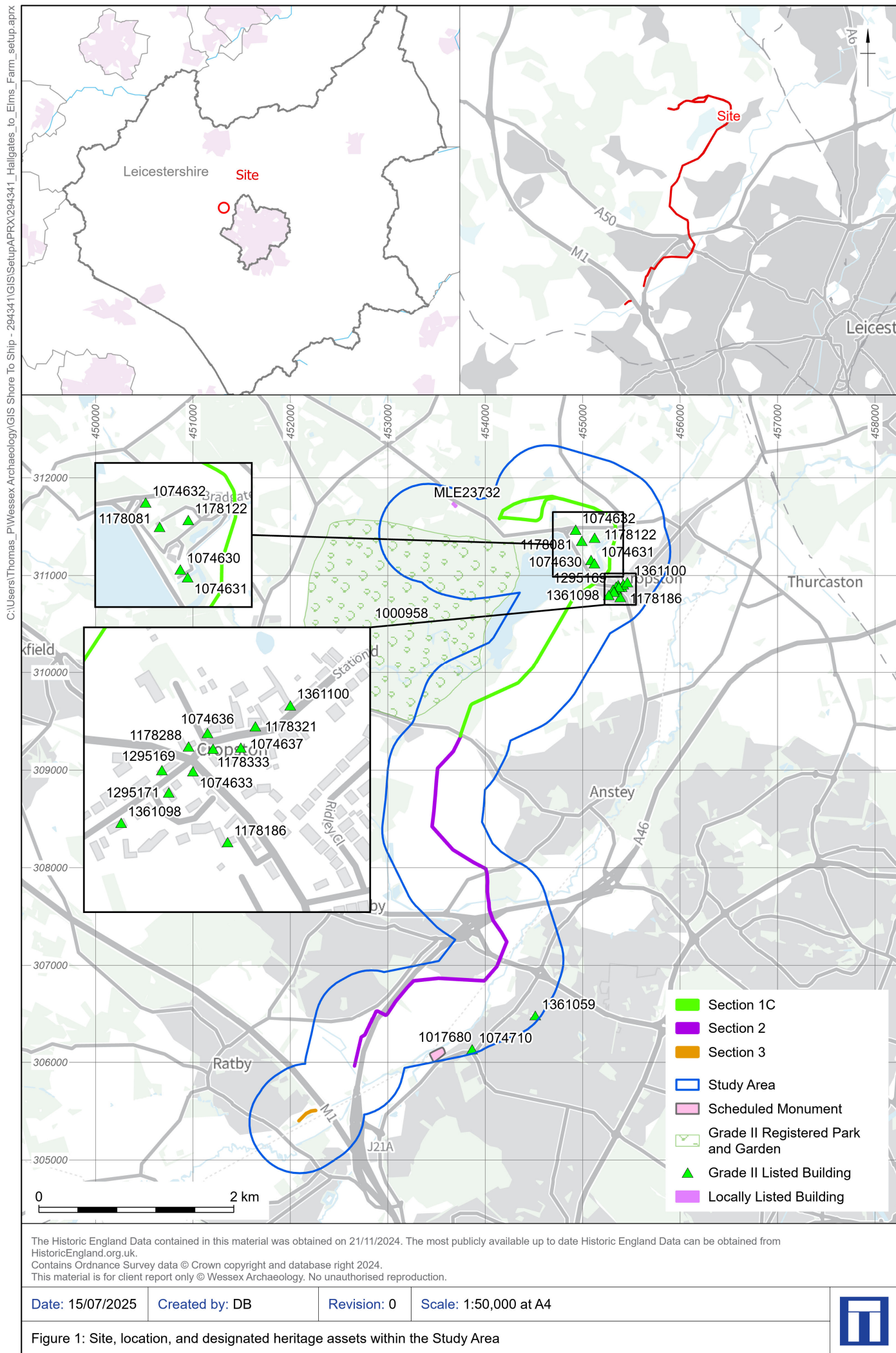
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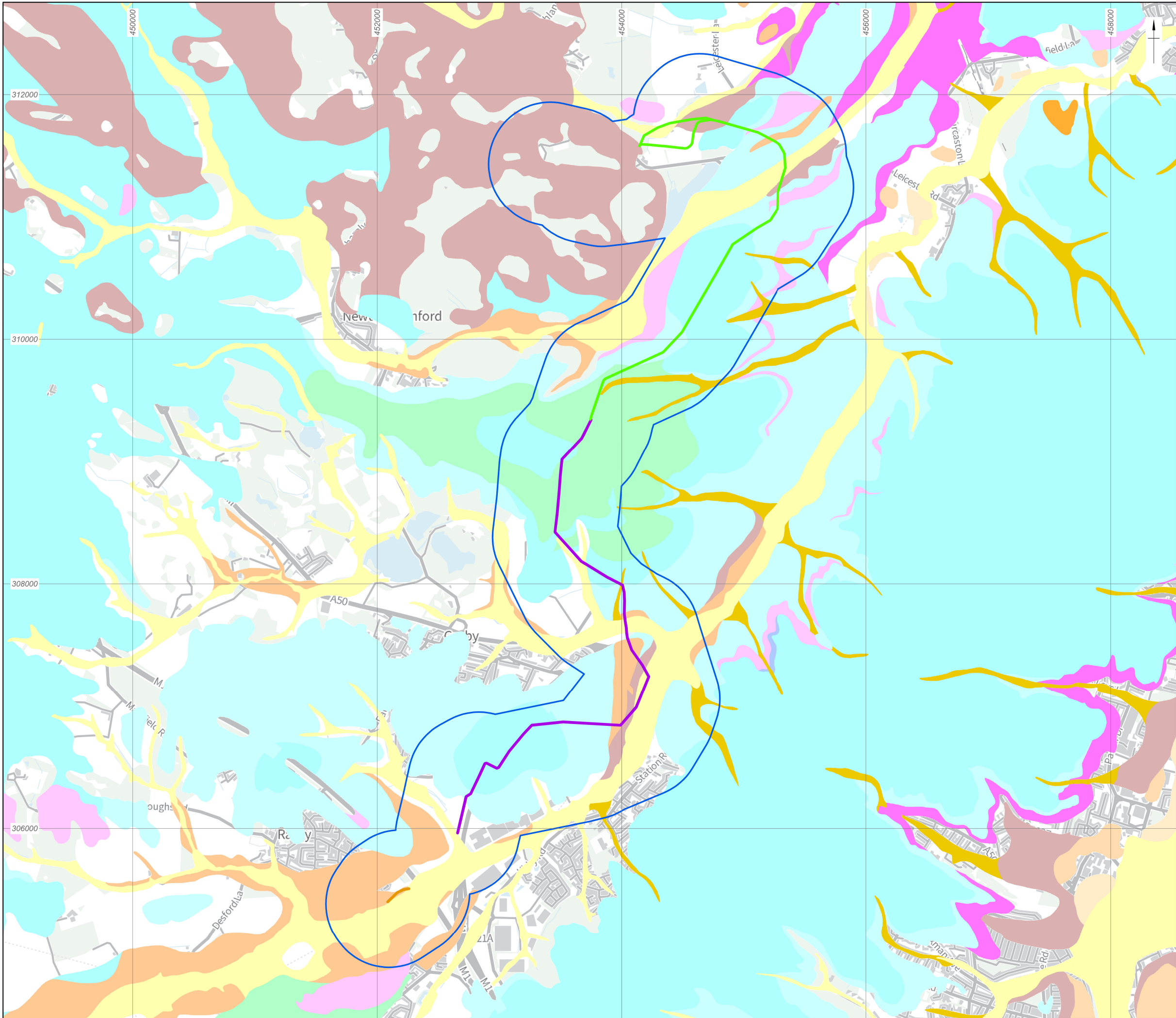
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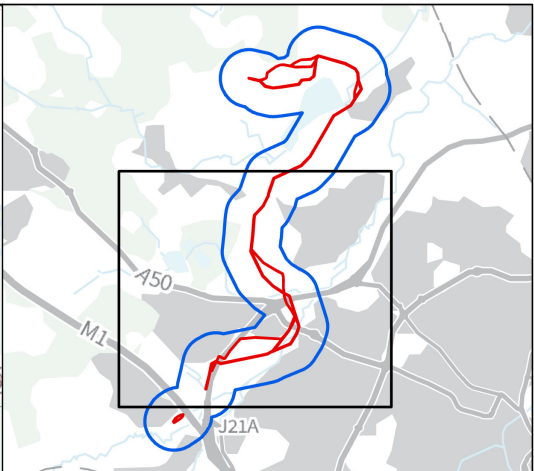
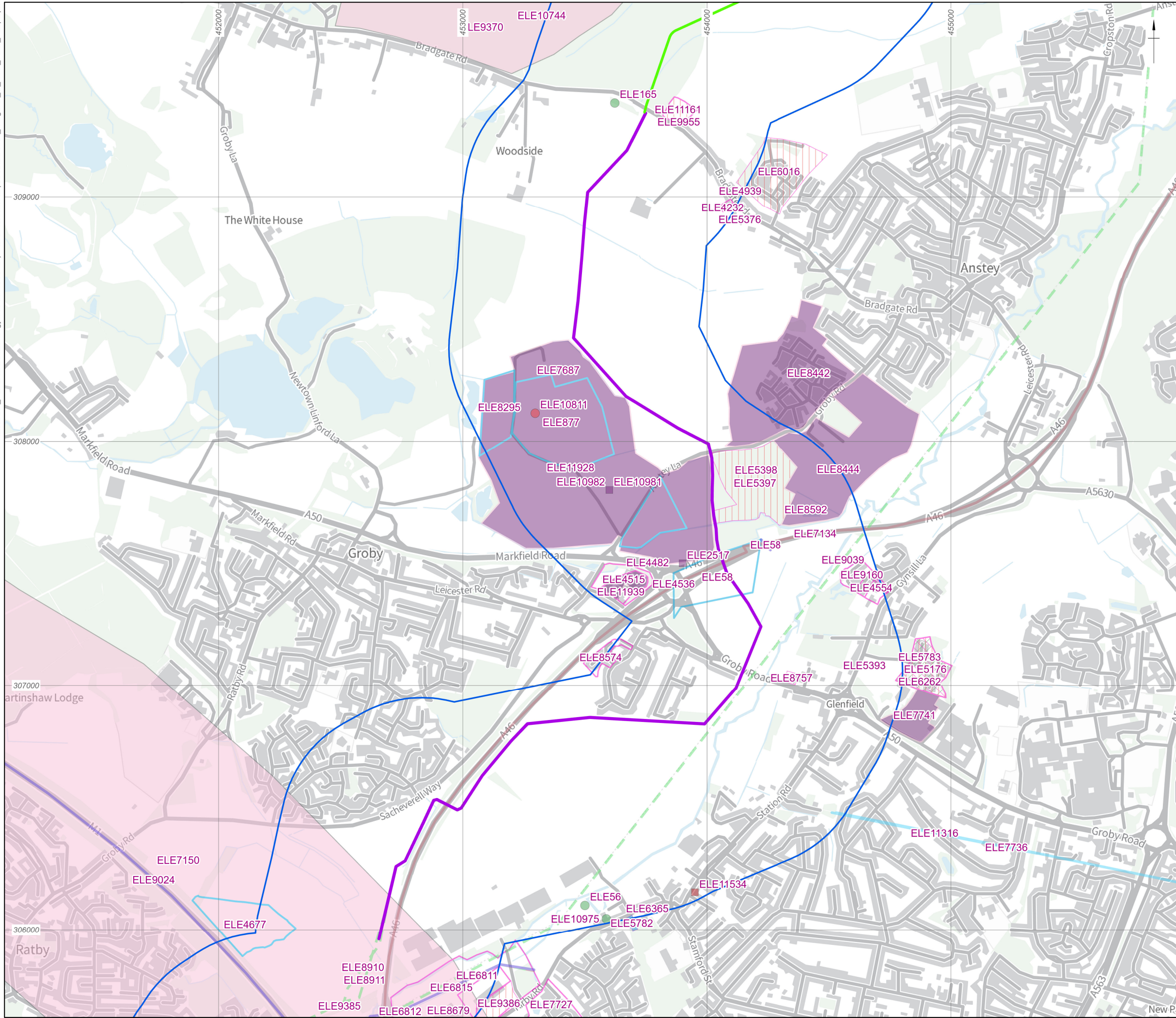
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Figure 4: Previous archaeological investigations near Section 2

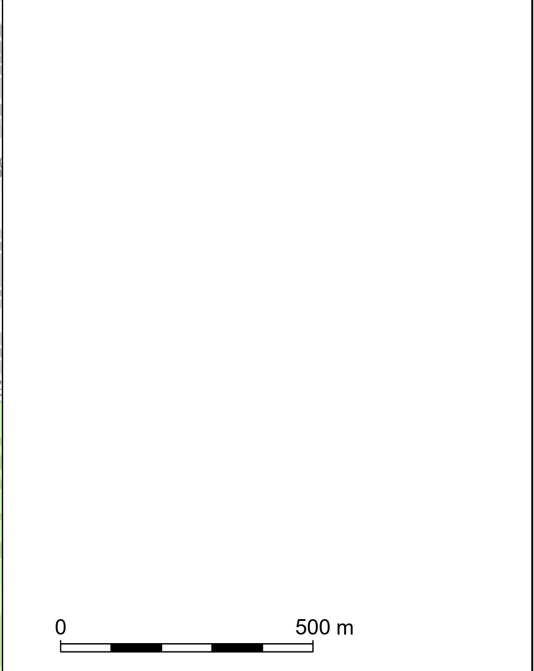
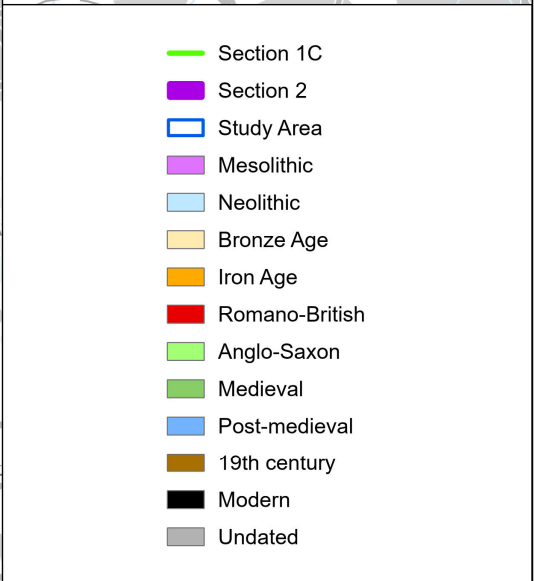








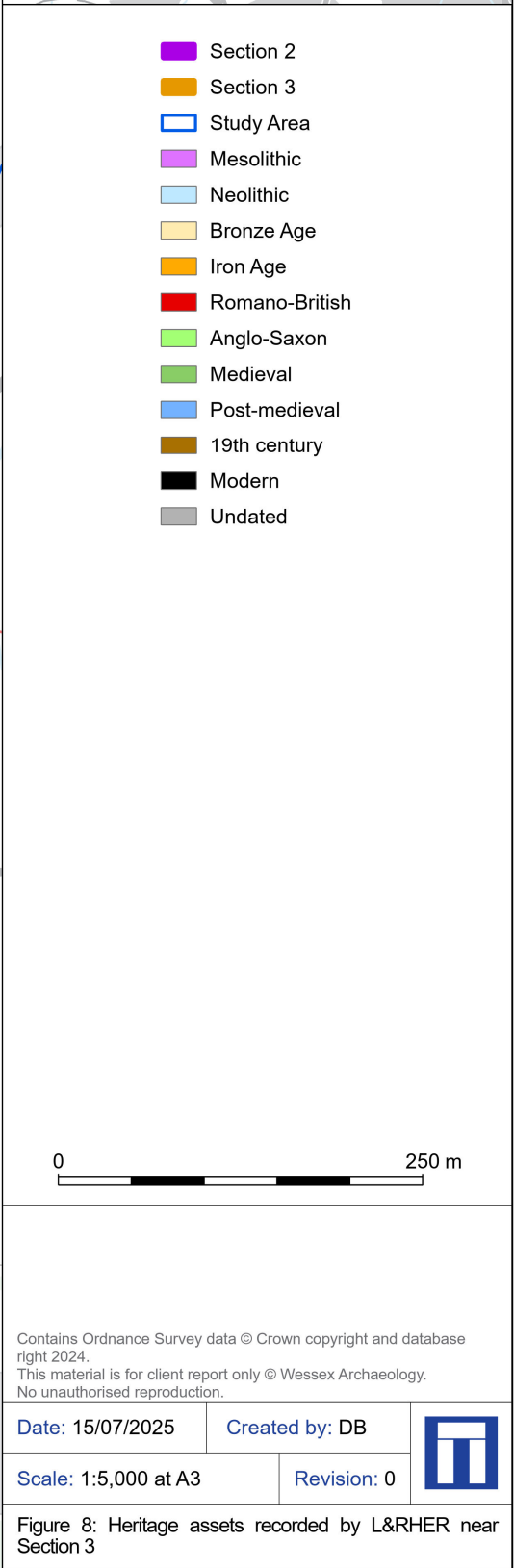




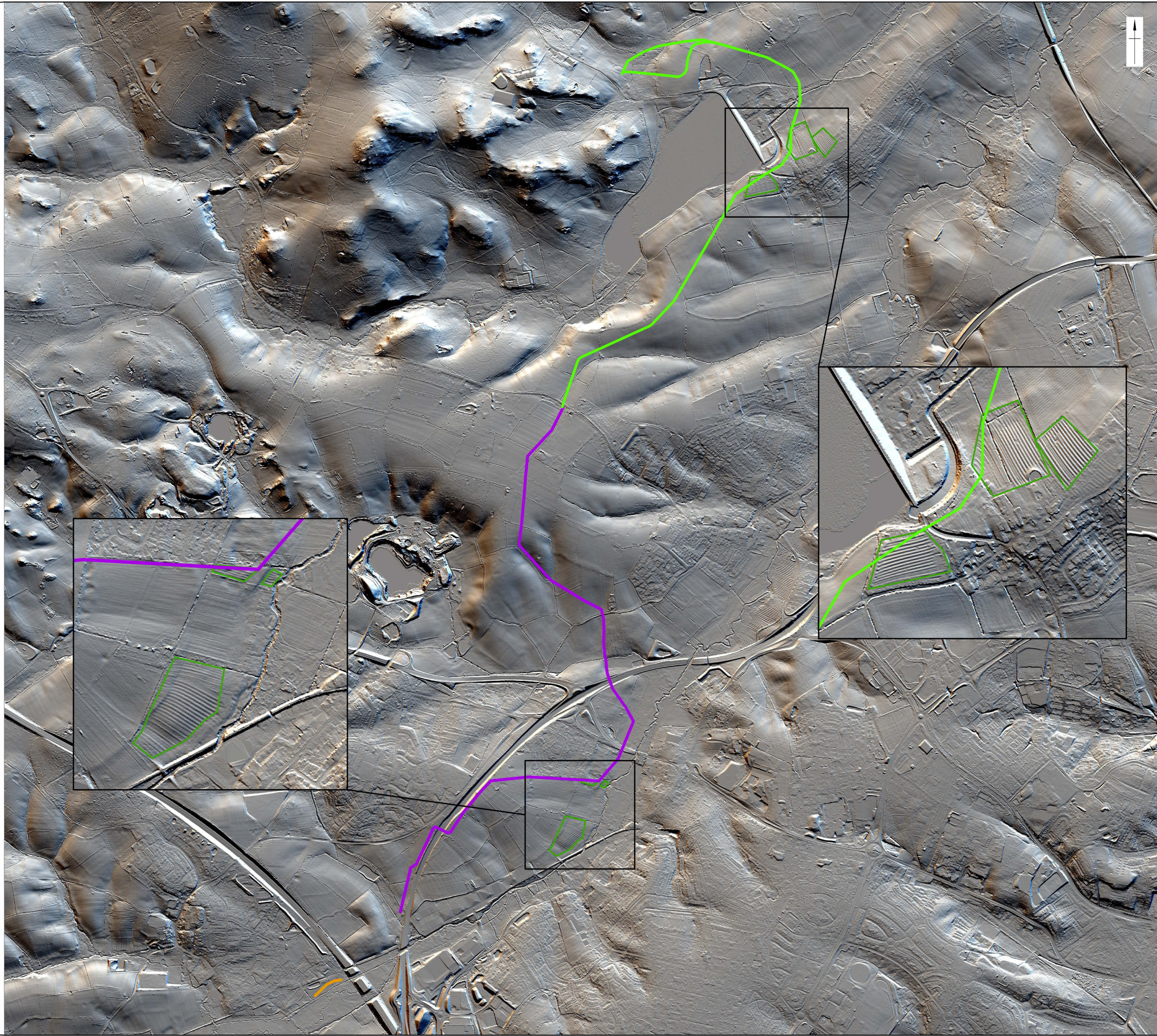
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Figure 7: Heritage assets recorded by L&RHER near Section 2









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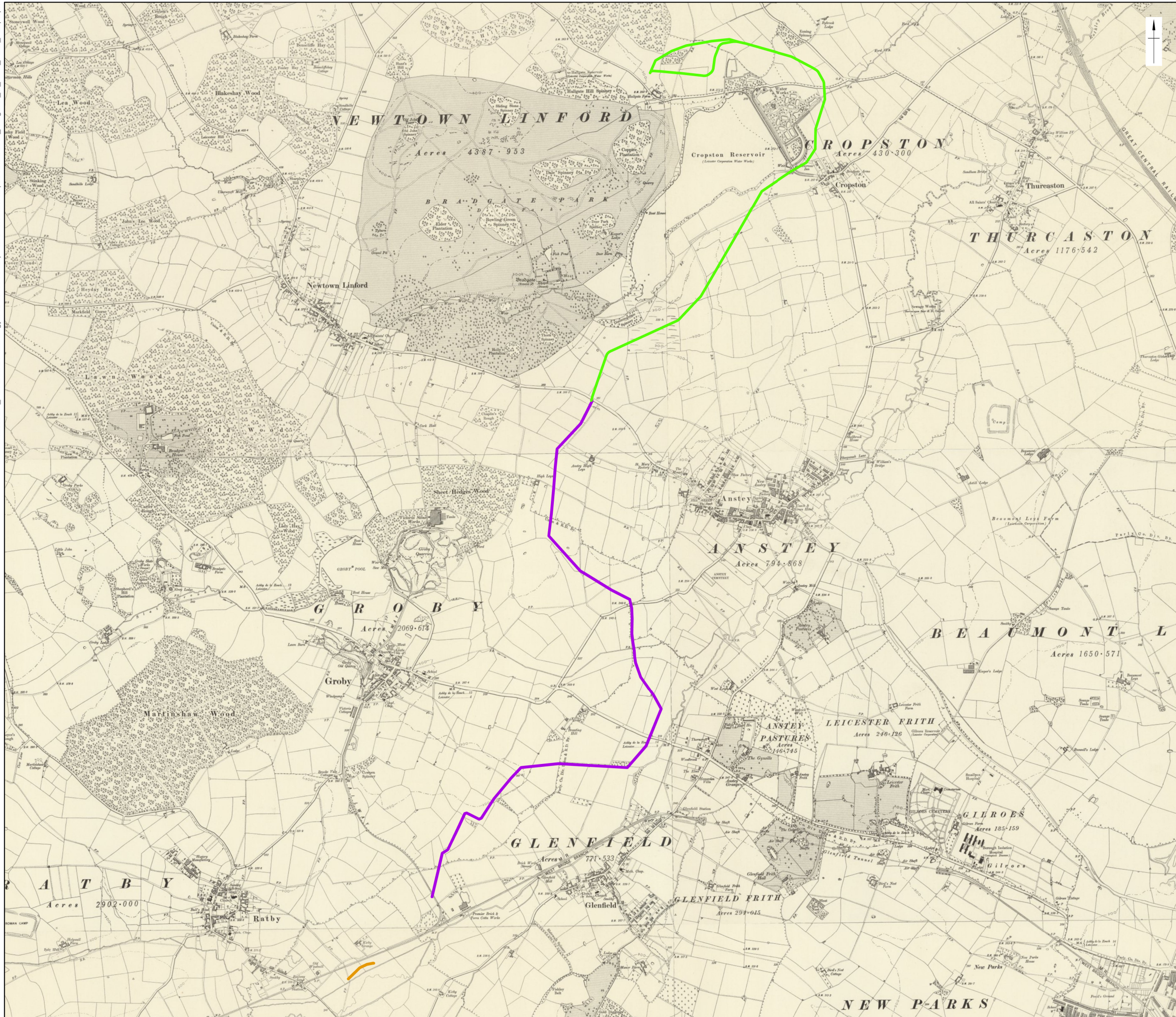
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Figure 9: LiDAR imagery



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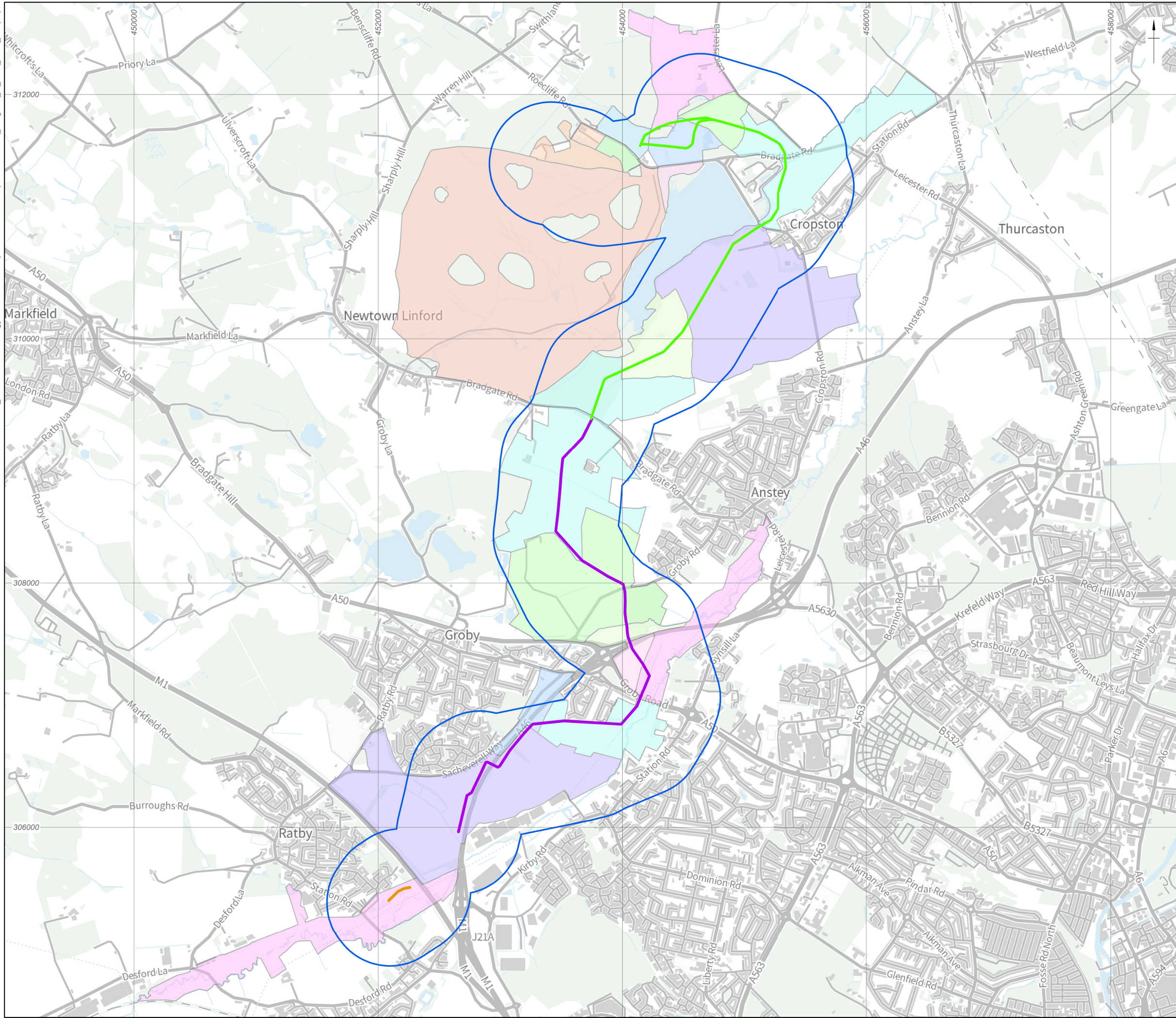
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Figure 10: 1904 Edition OS 6-inch map (1:10,560)



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  - Parks and Gardens
  - Planned Enclosure
  - Re-organised Piecemeal Enclosure
  - Small Irregular Fields
  - Planned Woodland Clearance
  - Small Assarts
  - Replanted Ancient Woodlands
  - Broadleaved Plantation
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  - Very Large Post-War Fields

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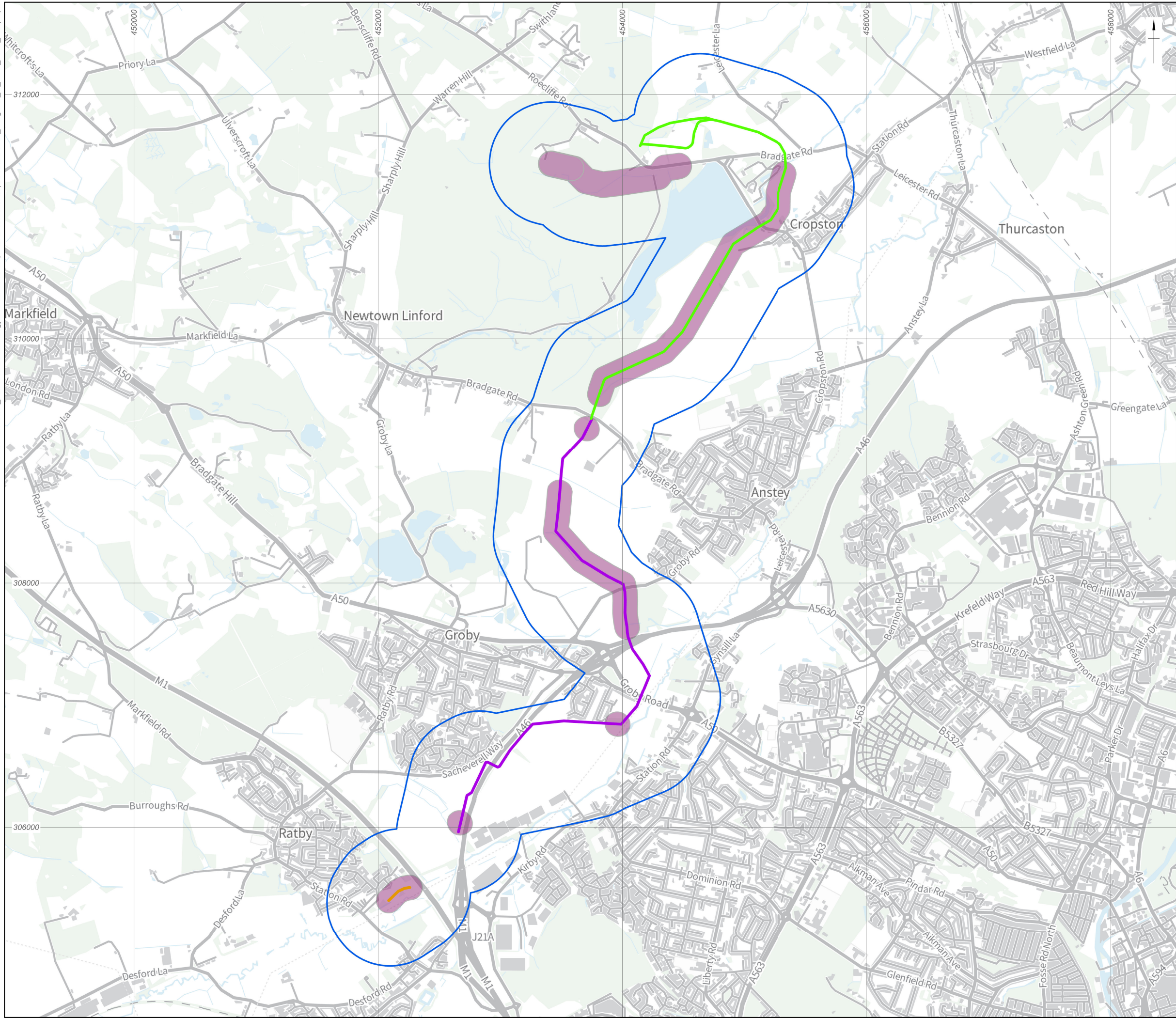
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Figure 11: HLC within the Site



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Figure 12: Area of archaeological potential





Photograph 1: View Bradgate Park, looking east towards undated ditches MLE21925.



Photograph 2: View of Bradgate Park within a field of recorded ridge and furrow MLE21938 within Bradgate Park, looking west.



Photograph 3: View of Bradgate Park Route within the later medieval extent of Bradgate Park (MLE749) south of Roecliffe Road, looking west.



Photograph 4: View of Section 1 within the field of possible ridge and furrow identified on LiDAR imagery east of Cropston Pumping Station, looking south-east.



Photograph 5: View of Section 1 within the later medieval extent of Bradgate Park (MLE749) south of Cropston Reservoir, looking north-east.



Photograph 6: View of Section 1 within the early medieval and later medieval extents of Bradgate Park (MLE748, MLE749), looking south-west.





Photograph 7: View of Section 1 within field of recorded former ridge and furrow MLE29450, looking south from the footpath.



Photograph 8: View of Section 2 within area of ridge and furrow MLE29453 and earthwork MLE404 south of Bradgate Road, looking south-west.



Photograph 9: View of Section 2 crossing possible medieval park boundary MLE29075, looking north-east.



Photograph 10: View of field with recorded Iron Age and Romano-British features near Markfield Road with Section 2 on the left beyond the field boundary, looking south-east from the wind turbines.



Photograph 11: View of Section 2 crossing the A46 near undated cropmark features MLE29457, looking north-west.



Photograph 12: View of Section 2 through possible area of ridge and furrow identified in LiDAR imagery, looking east towards possible truncation through the ridge and furrow visible as a slightly raised mound.





Photograph 13: View of field with possible ridge and furrow identified in LiDAR imagery, looking north-east.



Photograph 14: View looking towards undated linear feature MLE29441, looking south.



Photograph 15: View of northern half of Section 3, looking east.



Photograph 16: View of southern half of Section 3, looking north-east.



Photograph 17: View of the north-east part of Section 3, looking south-east.



Photograph 18: View of oval reservoir north of Section 3, looking north.





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