Understanding Our Past: Exploring the Hidden History of Meldreth Archaeological Test Pit Project, 2013

Results from Test Pit 6, 14 Flambards Close

Pottery

Details of the pottery found in this pit is given in the table below. Most of the pottery was Victorian, other than the two sherds of medieval material that were found in Context 2. These suggest that the site had a marginal use between the 12th and 16th centuries. It then appears to have been abandoned until the 19th century.

	HG		LMT		VIC		
Context	No	Wt	No	Wt	No	Wt	Date Range
1					3	5g	1800-1900
2	1	8g	1	2g	5	5g	1150-1900
3					4	25g	1800-1900
4					4	35g	1800-1900
7					59	2060g	1800-1900

For an explanation of the abbreviations shown above, together with more information on the types of pottery found, please see our <u>glossary</u> or the full <u>pottery report</u>.

Bone

An analysis of the bones found in this pit is provided in the table below. The complete <u>bone report</u> is also available.

	Context	
Taxon	[2]	[3]
Cow		•
Sheep/ goat	•	•
Pig		•
Horse		•
Cat		•
Wood pigeon	1	•
Sub-total to species	1	•
Cattle-sized		•
Sheep-sized	1	2
Rodent-sized		1
Total	2	3

The abbreviation n.f.i. denotes that the specimen could not be further identified.

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Flint

No worked flints were found in this test pit. For additional information on the flints found in the other pits, please see the general <u>flint report</u>.

Other Finds

Context	Ceramic (excluding pottery)	Glass	Metal & metal- working	Stone	Other	Date range
C. 1		glass =1 g			wood x2 =4g, red plastic bead =4g, plastic =<1g, shell =<1g, rubble x53 =593g	
C. 2		{clear glass x1, brown glass x1} =5g	metal nail =2g		{brick, masonry, asbestos} x77 =631g	
C. 3		glass x14 =204g	metal tacks, nails, and a piece of wire x11 =90g, flowery metal object c2 =11g		slate, tile, brick and asbestos x20 =492g	
C. 4			nails and a metal bracket x7 =?		rubble x20 =284g	
C. 5			metal nails x13 =98g	rock x5 =55g		
C. 6		glass =2g	metal nails x4 =10g		tile, stone, daub x14 =190g	
C. 7		{modern glass bottles x2, green glass x1, white glass x1} x12 =119g			worked modern plaster x3 =71g, slate,wood, asbestos x7 =168g	

Further finds reports and maps are available elsewhere on the site.