

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

**Results from Test Pit 24, 29 Whitecroft Road**

**Pottery**

The pottery finds from this test pit have been summarised in the table below. All of the pottery found was post-medieval, other than a single sherd of late medieval material. It appears that the site probably had a marginal use such as fields until the Victorian era.

Context	LMT		GRE		VIC		Date Range
	No	Wt	No	Wt	No	Wt	
1					3	8g	1800-1900
2			1	9g	4	5g	1550-1900
3	1	5g	1	2g	3	25g	1400-1900
4					3	7g	1800-1900
5			1	21g	5	8g	1550-1900
6					10	44g	1800-1900
8					2	12	1800-1900

For an explanation of the abbreviations shown above, together with more information on the types of pottery found, please see our [glossary](#) or the full [pottery report](#).

**Bone**

An analysis of the bones found in this pit is provided in the table below. The complete [bone report](#) is also available.

Taxon	Context	
	[1]	[2]
Sheep/ goat	.	.
<b>Sub-total to species</b>	.	.
Cattle-sized	.	.
Sheep-sized	2	.
Mammal n.f.i.	.	1
Bird n.f.i.	.	.
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>

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

## Flint

Information on the flints found in this test pit is summarised in the table below. For additional information, please see the general [flint report](#).

Context	chip	irregular waste	primary flake	secondary flake	tertiary flake	blade	retouched flake	total worked	unworked burnt flint no.	unworked burnt flint weight (g)
1				1				1		
2				1			1	2		
4				1				1		
5				1				1		

## Other Finds

Context	Ceramic (excluding pottery)	Glass	Metal & metal-working	Stone	Other	Date range
C. 1		glass x6 =30g	metal x6 =73g	stone and brick x23 =266g, charcoal x4 =10g	shell x3 =14g	
C. 2	brick x26 =209g	glass x8 =44g	metal x3 =46g	charcoal x7 =6g, coal x3 =56g		
C. 3	clay pipe stem =1g, brick x10 =191g	glass x9 =27g	metal {7 nails and one flat piece} x8 =46g	coal x2 =16g, slate x2 =5g, charcoal x5 =5g		
C. 4		green glass x2 =5g	long thin metal wire x4 =28g		building rubble x17 =800g	
C. 5		glass x6 =13g	metal {nails x7, staple x1, 1 end of bolt} x9 =67g	slate x5 =14g, clinker x2 =37g, coal x3 =48g,	bottle stopper =29g	
C. 6	clay pipe stem =2g	glass x6 =15g	metal {5 nails, 2 cylindrical lumps, 1 long piece with holes} x9 =383g	slate x3 =24g, clinker x5 =23g	building rubble =207g, shell x2 =1g	
C. 7	brick x2 =8g	glass {4 brown and 1 clear} x5 =26g	metal x4 =194g	slate x2 =4g	mortar x3 =110g, shell =1g	

**Further [finds reports and maps](#) are available elsewhere on the site.**