# Leicestershire CC HNET Monument Full Report

22/08/2016 Number of records: 56

# Archaeology gazetteer

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE2721 Roman site north of Park House Farm Monument

Roman features and pottery were recorded during drain laying operations and ploughing in 1968. It was thought that there could be a kiln. Pottery identified in 2012, however, did not suggest a kiln but rather a farmstead. Over 500 sherds were brought in at this time, mainly grey wares.

# Monument Types and Dates

POTTERY KILN? (Roman - 43 AD? to 409 AD?)

Evidence FIND
SITE (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)
Evidence FIND

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

# **Description and Sources**

## Description

In September 1968 Peter Higgins, the agricultural contractor, found in drain laying operations Roman pottery, daub etc from a ditch and noted a cobbled area. E Blank recorded the ditch sections and recovered pottery including Samian, colour coat and grey wares. Her conclusion was that it 'is probably a settlement site of some complexity lasting from the 2nd - 4th centuries'. One sherd is said to be a waster. <1>

After ploughing on September 28th 1968"large round patches of dark occupation, charcoal, were evident near the hedgerow west of the trenches across the ditches. Bits of pottery, burnt daub, glass and roofing tiles were picked up on the surface. What may have been a cobbled surface was seen c.20' S of Trench I.

The 'burnt daub' has 'finger holes' piercing it and it seems possible that they may be from kiln domes - going with the 'waster' and the black patches.

MLE2727 is likely to be part of the same complex.

In 2012 about 500 pottery sherds were brought in for identification. The latter are mostly grey ware sherds in a range of forms and sizes, but other wares included Samian, Mancetter products, Derbyshire and Northants wares and Black Burnished ware. Interesting sherds included a classic grey ware cheese press base and a colander in an oxidised fabric. There was no evidence of kiln activity. The group likely represents a Roman farmstead. <2>

PL visited the site in 2012 and retrieved Roman pottery sherds from this area.

<1> Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society, 1855-present, Transactions of the Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society, Vol 45 (1970), p76 (Journal). SLE6.

<2> Sites and Monuments Record, Parish File, 40SE B (Unpublished document). SLE320.

## Sources

- Journal: Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society. 1855-present. Transactions of the Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society. Vol 45 (1970), p76
- (2) Unpublished document: Sites and Monuments Record. Parish File. 40SE B

# **Associated resources - None recorded**

# Location

## **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 496 037 (99m by 109m) SK40SE Area

### **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

# **Associated Designations**

SHINE Cropmark and finds relating to Roman site, Active DLE7648

north-west of Park House Farm

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Yes)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE B

Active

## Related Monuments - None Recorded

### Associated Finds

FLE2710	SHERD (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)	GLASS
FLE2711	SHERD (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)	POTTERY
FLE2712	ROOF TILE (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)	CERAMIC
FLE17028	SHERD (Large quantity) (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)	POTTERY
FLE17029	TILE (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)	CERAMIC

#### Associated Events/Activities

ELE868 1968 investigations north of Park House Farm (Event - Intervention)

ELE9000 2012 fieldwalking north-west of Park Farm (Event - Survey)

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE2723 Earthworks of possible medieval trackway, Monument

**Botcheston Road** 

High banks at either side of Botcheston Road indicate a possible medieval trackway. These can be seen on aerial photos.

# Monument Types and Dates

TRACKWAY (Medieval - 1067 AD? to 1539 AD?)

Evidence EARTHWORK

### **Description and Sources**

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

# Location

**National Grid Reference** 

Centred SK 488 044 (122m by 88m) SK40SE Area

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE D

Active

# Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

### Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

Site Name Earthwork north-west of Park House Farm

**HER Number** MLE2724

**HER Number Site Name Record Type** 

MLE2724 Earthwork north-west of Park House Farm Monument

RFH noted an earthwork here in 1986.

Monument Types and Dates

DITCH? (Unknown date)

Evidence **EARTHWORK** 

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

Centred SK 491 039 (72m by 19m) SK40SE Area

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (No) Active Old SMR Ref - 40SE E Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

**HER Number Site Name Record Type** 

MLE2725 Undated bank west of Park House Farm Monument

In the 1970s Peek and Parsons noted long banks at right angles to the stream near Parkhouse Farm. A bank is visible on the 1969 aerial photos.

Monument Types and Dates

BANK (EARTHWORK) (Unknown date) Evidence **EARTHWORK** 

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

Centred SK 493 035 (188m by 105m) SK40SE Area

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (No)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE F

Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE2726Undated ditches north of Park House FarmMonument

Peek and Parsons noted a series of ditches in a trapezium-shaped field with some ridge and furrow. Their existence on aerial photographs was confirmed in 1986.

# Monument Types and Dates

DITCH (Unknown date)

Evidence EARTHWORK

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

Centred SK 497 041 (166m by 134m) SK40SE Dispersed

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (No) Active
Old SMR Ref - 40SE G Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE2727Roman enclosure, north-west of Park House FarmMonument

A group of earthworks are visible on RAF verticals (c.1947) but these have long since been ploughed away. They may be related to the Roman site MLE2721. The enclosure appears to be visible on the 1969 aerial photographs.

# Monument Types and Dates

RECTILINEAR ENCLOSURE (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)
Evidence DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

# **Description and Sources**

### Description

In the 1970s Peek and Parsons note 3 sides of a square, each about 400' long. Shallow depressions connect with other features in the area.

There are a substantial group of earthworks which show on RAF verticals (c.1947) but have now disappeared as surface features. The pottery and features to the north-east (MLE2721) strongly suggest that these enclosure(s) are Roman and remained unploughed because they were in Barn Park.

No features are visible on the 1991, 2000, 2006 or 2011 vertical aerial photographs. The 1969 photograph shows a series of features though it seems likely that at least some of these are drains.

#### Sources - None recorded

#### Associated resources - None recorded

#### Location

# **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 495 037 (191m by 217m) SK40SE Area

#### **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

# **Associated Designations**

SHINE Cropmark and finds relating to Roman site, Active DLE7648

north-west of Park House Farm

## Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Yes)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE K

Active

### Related Monuments - None Recorded

## Finds - None recorded

# Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE2728 Undated linear cropmarks, Peckleton Common Monument

Series of undated linear cropmarks, partly following the Desford - Peckleton parish boundary, apparently representing a former field system. Most appear to relate to grubbed out hedgerows shown on the late C19th OS map.

# Monument Types and Dates

DITCH? (Unknown date)

Evidence CROPMARK
FIELD SYSTEM (Unknown date)
Evidence CROPMARK

# **Description and Sources**

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

### Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

Centred SK 478 020 (437m by 658m) SK40SE Area

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire
Civil Parish Peckleton, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (No) Active
Old SMR Ref - 40SE X Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities

ELE869 Peckleton Common (Event - Survey)

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE2729 Possible site of the medieval watermill, Desford Mill Monument

Could be the site of a medieval watermill first mentioned in 1140.

Monument Types and Dates

WATERMILL (Early Medieval to Late Medieval - 1101 AD? to 1539 AD?)

Evidence DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

<1> Ashton, Norman, 1977, Leicestershire Watermills, p51 (Bibliographic reference). SLE156.

"...first mentioned as a mill in 1140 AD."

Sources

(1) Bibliographic reference: Ashton, Norman. 1977. Leicestershire Watermills. p51

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK 486 043 (point) SK40SE Point

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE AB

Active

### Related Monuments - None Recorded

#### Finds - None recorded

### Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE2731 Possible site of post medieval windmill, Desford Mill Monument

Documentary evidence suggests that a windmill had been added to the watermill by 1709, but was no longer working by 1872.

# Monument Types and Dates

WINDMILL (Late Post-medieval - 1709 AD? to 1872 AD?)

Evidence DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

# **Description and Sources**

## Description

Bent says that the wording of documents mentioning the windmill suggests that it was not on land attached to the watermill.

<1> Ashton, Norman, 1977, Leicestershire Watermills, p51 (Bibliographic reference). SLE156.

# Sources

(1) Bibliographic reference: Ashton, Norman. 1977. Leicestershire Watermills. p51

### Associated resources - None recorded

# Location

# **National Grid Reference**

SK 486 043 (point) SK40SE Point

## **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

# Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE AB

Active

### Related Monuments - None Recorded

# Finds - None recorded

### Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE2732Roman pottery and tile found north-east of ForestFind Spot

View Farm

A brief search of the area where a stone axe was found revealed 5 sherds of Roman grey ware and 2 fragments of Roman tile. These may suggest Roman occupation nearby.

### Monument Types and Dates

<sup>&</sup>quot;Although originally a watermill, at a later date a windmill was added, for in 1709, on the transfer of a lease one was included in the schedule - the windmill, however, did not live out the life of the watermill, as it was not mentioned in schedules after 1872."

FINDSPOT (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)

Evidence FIND

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK 488 023 (point) SK40SE Point

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (No)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE AP

Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

**Associated Finds** 

FLE2714 SHERD (5) (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD) POTTERY FLE2715 TILE (2) (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD) POTTERY

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE2733 Post-medieval windmill west of Debdale Monument

A windmill is marked on the OS 1st edition 1" (1840s) and the 6" map (1884) but isn't on the enclosure map (1761), Prior (1779), King (1806), OS 2" (1814), Greenwood (1826) or the 1931 6" map. Documents record a windmill built in 1794 that may be this mill.

Monument Types and Dates

WINDMILL (Late Post-medieval - 1794 AD? to 1899 AD)

Evidence DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

Description and Sources

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK 475 029 (point) SK40SE Point

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

# Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE AS

Active

#### Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

#### Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE2734Cropmarks of two possible enclosures north ofMonument

Forest View

In 1984 Jim Pickering photographed faint cropmarks of 2 possible enclosures and a linear features, but these may be modern drainage.

# Monument Types and Dates

DITCH? (Unknown date)

Evidence CROPMARK
ENCLOSURE? (Unknown date)
Evidence CROPMARK

# **Description and Sources**

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

Centred SK 485 025 (147m by 161m) SK40SE Area

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (No) Active
Old SMR Ref - 40SE AX Active

#### Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities

ELE870 Forest View,N (Event - Survey)

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE2736 Possible castle site, Castle Hill Monument

The name 'Castle Hill' was noted during research, though no earthworks were visible when the site was checked. The area

north of the church is called 'Castlehill' on the late C19th OS map.

# Monument Types and Dates

CASTLE? (Unknown date)

Evidence PLACE NAME EVIDENCE

### **Description and Sources**

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK 478 036 (point) SK40SE Point

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE AY

Active

#### Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

# Associated Events/Activities

ELE871 Castle Hill (Event - Survey)

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE2737Possible Roman site east of Lindridge WoodMonument

A scatter of Roman greyware pottery found here in the 1980s suggests an occupation site.

# Monument Types and Dates

SITE? (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)

Evidence FIND

# **Description and Sources**

# **Description - None recorded**

<1> Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society, 1855-present, *Transactions of the Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society, Vol 57 (1981-2), p88* (Journal). SLE6.

"Mike Ball reports the discovery of a scatter of Roman grey ware on the east side of Lindridge Lane."

# Sources

(1) Journal: Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society. 1855-present. Transactions of the Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society. Vol 57 (1981-2), p88

# Associated resources - None recorded

# Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK40SE Point

**Administrative Areas** 

SK 473 045 (point)

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE AZ

Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

Associated Finds

FLE2718 SHERD (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD) POTTERY

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE2738Medieval moated site, LindridgeMonument

A square double-ditched moat measuring approximately 105m x 116m. It may have been the site of an isolated manor house, alternatively it could have been a moated garden. There are associated enclosures and a pond (see MLE2739).

# Monument Types and Dates

MOAT (Medieval - 1067 AD to 1539 AD)

Evidence EARTHWORK

GARDEN? (Early Medieval to Early Post-medieval - 1067 AD? to 1699 AD?)

Evidence EARTHWORK

# **Description and Sources**

# Description

To the NW of Desford is Lindridge, which is a square moat fed by a small tributary of the Rothley Brook. To the east is a dry boundary ditch. (OS records)

F Cottrill said that the moat was double-ditched.

In 1851 the moat was drained and cleaned and between 5 and 6 foot deep 7 pottery vessels (largely complete) as well as sherds and "two rude stones, probably used with the quern or hand mill" were found.

There is a jug in the Museum Collections (52.1951) that could be from Lindridge.

<1> Hartley R F, 2008, Medieval Earthworks of South-West Leicestershire (Hinckley & Bosworth), p15 (Bibliographic reference). SLE1014.

"An isolated rectangular moat survives near Lindridge House Farm, and may either represent the site of an isolated medieval manor house or, more probably, the remains of a medieval or later moated garden for which an 18th century (?) sketch plan is in the Record Office (ROLLR reference unknown)."

#### **Sources**

(1) Bibliographic reference: Hartley R F. 2008. Medieval Earthworks of South-West Leicestershire (Hinckley & Bosworth). p15

### Associated resources - None recorded

# Location

# National Grid Reference

Centred SK 471 046 (139m by 122m) SK40SE Area

**Site Name** Medieval moated site, Lindridge

HER Number MLE2738

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

**Associated Designations** 

Scheduled Monument - 1017053 MOATED SITE 440M SOUTH WEST OF Active DLE386

LINDRIDGE FIELDS FARM

SHINE Medieval moated site at Lindridge Active DLE7577

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Yes)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE BA

Active

Related Monuments

MLE2739 Medieval enclosures and pond at Lindridge Heirarchical

moated site

Associated Finds

FLE2719 SHERD (6-10) (Medieval - 1067 AD to 1539 AD) POTTERY FLE5309 TILE (Medieval - 1067 AD to 1539 AD) POTTERY

Associated Events/Activities

ELE872 Lindridge (Event - Survey)

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE2739 Medieval enclosures and pond at Lindridge moated Monument

site

The surrounding field has been levelled by ploughing, but old aerial photographs show a pond and additional enclosures around the moat. For the moat itself see MLE2738.

# Monument Types and Dates

ENCLOSURE (Medieval - 1067 AD to 1539 AD)

Evidence EARTHWORK
POND (Medieval - 1067 AD to 1539 AD)
Evidence EARTHWORK

# **Description and Sources**

# **Description - None recorded**

<1> Hartley R F, 2008, Medieval Earthworks of South-West Leicestershire (Hinckley & Bosworth), p15 (Bibliographic reference). SLE1014.

"The surrounding field has been levelled by ploughing in recent years, but old aerial photographs show a pond and additional enclosures around the moat."

# Sources

(1) Bibliographic reference: Hartley R F. 2008. Medieval Earthworks of South-West Leicestershire (Hinckley & Bosworth). p15

# Associated resources - None recorded

### Location

## **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 471 046 (296m by 186m) SK40SE Area

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

**Associated Designations** 

Scheduled Monument - 1017053 MOATED SITE 440M SOUTH WEST OF Active DLE386

LINDRIDGE FIELDS FARM

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (No) Active
Old SMR Ref - 40SE BA Active

Related Monuments

MLE2738 Medieval moated site, Lindridge Heirarchical

Finds - None recorded

#### Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE2742Roman pottery kilns, Main StreetMonument

In 1960 a kiln was found during building work. It had a clay floor and many firebars. It was c. 2'6" in diameter with a stokehole at the north-east and was c. 2' long. It was making greyware in the C2nd. In 1961 a second kiln was found 50 yds to the south-west. Trial trenching in 2013 found three pieces of Roman pottery but no further kiln features.

# Monument Types and Dates

POTTERY KILN (Early Roman - 43 AD to 249 AD)
Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

#### **Description and Sources**

# **Description - None recorded**

<1> Trott, Kevin, 2013, Archaeological field evaluation (trial trenching), 23, Main Street, Desford (Unpublished document). SLE3963.

Trial trenching in 2013 found three sherds of Roman pottery but no kiln features. The pottery consisted of a piece of mortarium and two pieces of greyware (one overfired kiln waste and one blistered).

#### Sources

 Unpublished document: Trott, Kevin. 2013. Archaeological field evaluation (trial trenching), 23, Main Street, Desford.

#### **Associated resources - None recorded**

# Location

# **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 477 034 (68m by 65m) SK40SE Area

### **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

### **Associated Designations**

Conservation Area Desford Active DLE670

# Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE BK

Active

# Related Monuments - None Recorded

### **Associated Finds**

FLE2720 KILN FURNITURE (Large quantity) (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)

FLE2721 SHERD (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD) POTTERY FLE15550 SHERD (3) (Early Roman - 43 AD to 249 AD) POTTERY

Associated Events/Activities

ELE873 Manor Farm Garage (Event - Survey)

ELE8554 2013 trial trenching, 23, Main Street, Desford (Event - Intervention)

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE2743 Well, Main Street Monument

In the 1960s a 15' deep stone well was found close to a Roman pottery kiln. It may be medieval rather than Roman.

Monument Types and Dates

WELL (Medieval - 1067 AD? to 1539 AD?)

Evidence SUBTERRANEAN FEATURE

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK 477 034 (point) SK40SE Point

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

**Associated Designations** 

Conservation Area Desford Active DLE670

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE BK

Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities

ELE873 Manor Farm Garage (Event - Survey)

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE2748 Medieval fishpond earthworks, Bullockhall Barn Monument

Earthworks of three long fishponds and two small ponds likely to be breeding tanks.

Monument Types and Dates

FISHPOND (Medieval - 1067 AD to 1539 AD)

Evidence EARTHWORK

**Description and Sources** 

# **Description - None recorded**

<1> Hartley R F, 2008, Medieval Earthworks of South-West Leicestershire (Hinckley & Bosworth), p14 (Bibliographic reference). SLE1014.

"Near Bullockhall Barn, alongside the stream, are the earthwork remains of three long narrow fishponds, surveyed on May 4th 1987. In addition there are two very small ponds likely to be stew ponds or breeding tanks."

#### **Sources**

(1) Bibliographic reference: Hartley R F. 2008. Medieval Earthworks of South-West Leicestershire (Hinckley & Bosworth). p14

#### Associated resources - None recorded

#### Location

## **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 490 034 (316m by 311m) SK40SE Area

# **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

## Designations, Statuses and Scorings

### **Associated Designations**

SHINE Medieval fishpond earthworks, Bullockhall Active DLE6919

Barn

### Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Yes)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE BY

Active

### Related Monuments - None Recorded

# Finds - None recorded

# Associated Events/Activities

ELE875 Bullockhall Barn (Event - Survey)

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE2750 Historic settlement core of Botcheston Monument

The medieval and post-medieval historic settlement core of Botcheston, as defined using historic maps etc.

# Monument Types and Dates

VILLAGE (Early Medieval to Late Post-medieval - 1201 AD to 1899 AD)

Evidence DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

# **Description and Sources**

## **Description - None recorded**

<1> Bourne, Jill, 2003, *Understanding Leicestershire & Rutland Place Names*, p33 (Bibliographic reference). SLE220. Known as Borchardeston in 1286 (Feudal Aids). Bochard (OFr. male personal name) + OE tun 'farmstead, village, small estate'. 'The settlement associated with Bochard'. French names are rarely found in combination with the OE tun.

#### Sources

(1) Bibliographic reference: Bourne, Jill. 2003. Understanding Leicestershire & Rutland Place Names. p33

# **Associated resources - None recorded**

## Location

# National Grid Reference

Centred SK 482 049 (605m by 223m) SK40SE Area

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish

Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

### Designations, Statuses and Scorings

## Associated Designations - None recorded

#### Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Historic Core - 043

Old SMR Ref - 40SE CK

Active

### Related Monuments - None Recorded

# Finds - None recorded

### Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE2751Historic settlement core of DesfordMonument

Historic settlement core of the medieval and post-medieval village, deduced using landscape maps etc.

# Monument Types and Dates

VILLAGE (Late Anglo Saxon to Late Post-medieval - 850 AD to 1899 AD)

Evidence DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

## **Description and Sources**

### **Description - None recorded**

<1> Bourne, Jill, 2003, *Understanding Leicestershire & Rutland Place Names, p42* (Bibliographic reference). SLE220. Known as Diresford/Deresford in 1086 (Domesday Book). Deor (OS male personal name) + OE ford 'ford'. 'The ford associated with Deor'. Deor probably held the land where the ford lay.

## **Sources**

(1) Bibliographic reference: Bourne, Jill. 2003. Understanding Leicestershire & Rutland Place Names. p42

# Associated resources - None recorded

#### Location

#### **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 476 035 (763m by 679m) SK40SE Area

# **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

## Designations, Statuses and Scorings

## **Associated Designations**

Conservation Area Desford Active DLE670

# Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Historic Core - 097

Old SMR Ref - 40SE CL

Active

### Related Monuments - None Recorded

### Finds - None recorded

## Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

**HER Number Site Name Record Type** MLE2752 Boundary stone at Botcheston Monument

A carved stone was reported in 1995, possibly a boundary stone of some kind. It was apparently originally sited c.40m to the south-west, in the field of ridge and furrow.

# Monument Types and Dates

BOUNDARY STONE? (Late Post-medieval - 1700 AD? to 1899 AD?)

Evidence **FIND** 

## Description and Sources

# Description

In 1995 a small stone was recorded measuring approximately 18" high by 10" wide x 8" deep, carved with 'W' 'W' 'C' on three sides with the fourth side plain. This stone now lies in a hedgerow, but its original location was apparently a shallow depression at the junction of two alignments of ridge and furrow.

<1> Sites and Monuments Record, Parish File, Desford MLE2752 (Unpublished document). SLE320. Photograph of marker stone in parish file.

#### Sources

(1) Unpublished document: Sites and Monuments Record. Parish File. Desford MLE2752

#### Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK 485 047 (point) SK40SE **Point** 

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

### Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

#### Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible) Active Old SMR Ref - 40SE CP Active

# Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

### Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

**HER Number Site Name Record Type** MLF3019 Mancetter Road

Monument

Roman road from Leicester (Ratae Corieltauvorum) to Mancetter (Manduessedum). The line is marked by current day roads and cropmarks.

# Monument Types and Dates

ROAD (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD) Evidence **CROPMARK** 

# **Description and Sources**

# **Description - None recorded**

<1> Sites and Monuments Record, Parish File, Sutton Cheney 39NE U (Unpublished document). SLE320. Areas of large cobbles were seen after plouging on the line of the Mancetter Road (information provided 1986). SP 393 985

#### Sources

(1) Unpublished document: Sites and Monuments Record. Parish File. Sutton Cheney 39NE U

### Associated resources - None recorded

### Location

# **National Grid Reference**

Centred SP 389 984 (20807m by 8618m) SP39NE Line

### **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Kirby Muxloe, Blaby, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Leicester Forest West, Blaby, Leicestershire
Civil Parish Peckleton, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire
Civil Parish Sheepy, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Sutton Cheney, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire Civil Parish Witherley, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

# **Associated Designations**

Conservation Area	Kirby Fields	Active	DLE628
Conservation Area	Ashby Canal	Active	DLE565
Registered Battlefield (Pre WWI) -	Battle of Bosworth Field, 1485	Active	DLE437

1000004

Scheduled Monument - 17078 BOWL BARROW AT FENNY DRAYTON Active DLE337

#### Other Statuses and Cross-References

Old SMR Ref - 39NE U	Active
SHINE Candidate (No)	Active
Old SMR Ref - 50SW AK	Active
Old SMR Ref - 50SW AH	Active
Old SMR Ref - 50SW Z	Active
Old SMR Ref - 50SW A	Active
Old SMR Ref - 39NW P	Active
Old SMR Ref - 39NE Z	Active
Old SMR Ref - 40SE BN	Active
Old SMR Ref - 40SE AA	Active

## Related Monuments - None Recorded

## Finds - None recorded

### Associated Events/Activities

ELE941 Mancetter Road (Event - Survey)

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE3101Undated circular enclosure east of The WoodlandsMonument

OS records note a circular cropmark on RAF aerial photographs.

# Monument Types and Dates

CIRCULAR ENCLOSURE (Unknown date)

Evidence CROPMARK

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

Centred SK 497 053 (35m by 32m) SK40NE Area

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (No)

Old SMR Ref - 40NE Z

Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE7233 Neolithic flint axe found east of Forest View Farm Find Spot

A small, slender Neolithic blade polished flint axe was found here.

Monument Types and Dates

FINDSPOT (Neolithic - 4000 BC to 2501 BC)

Evidence FIND

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK 487 022 (point) SK40SE Point

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE AQ

Active

### Related Monuments - None Recorded

**Associated Finds** 

FLE2716 POLISHED AXEHEAD (1) (Neolithic - 4000 BC to 2501 BC) FLINT

### Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE7557Prehistoric flint found north of Forest ViewFind Spot

Three flint cores were found in this area in the 1980s.

Monument Types and Dates

FINDSPOT (Early Neolithic to Late Bronze Age - 4000 BC? to 801 BC?)

Evidence FIND

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK 485 024 (point) SK40SE Point

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE AX

Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

**Associated Finds** 

FLE2717 CORE (3) (Early Neolithic to Late Bronze Age - 4000 BC? to 801 FLINT

BC?)

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE7926 Roman pottery found at Botcheston Council Houses Find Spot

Pottery found in 1951 by workmen. Description of it mostly being slate grey suggests a Roman date.

Monument Types and Dates

FINDSPOT (Roman - 43 AD? to 409 AD?)

Evidence FIND

Description and Sources

## **Description**

Before 1951, Mr J K Hurst (Arthur Hurst's dad) was excavating cables in front of the council houses at Botcheston. There were 2 'batches' of pot, both c. 2' down. 'Most of it was a slate-grey colour although some had a slight red, a slight yellow or slight blue tint'. Said by an interested local to be C12th/C13th. There were also many worn boulders and stones.

Museum staff suggested that this pottery sounds more Roman then medieval.

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK 484 049 (point) SK40SE Point

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE Y

Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

**Associated Finds** 

FLE2713 SHERD (Roman - 43 AD? to 409 AD?) POTTERY

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE7927 Roman pottery from Manor Road Find Spot

Roman pottery is reported (in 1960) as coming from a site on Manor Road.

Monument Types and Dates

FINDSPOT (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)

Evidence FIND

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK 476 033 (point) SK40SE Point

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

**Other Statuses and Cross-References** 

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE CE

Active

#### Related Monuments - None Recorded

#### Associated Finds

FLE2722 SHERD (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)

**POTTERY** 

#### Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE7928Roman finds from Snowdene Fish FarmMonument

In 1958 Roman pottery and seven coins were found in association with a stone well. The coins dated from the C1st to the C4th.

# Monument Types and Dates

SITE? (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)

Evidence UNSTRATIFIED FIND

WELL (Roman - 43 AD? to 409 AD?)

Evidence SUBTERRANEAN FEATURE

### **Description and Sources**

### Description

In 1958 Mr William Cobley built a bungalow south of Main Street, Botcheston. Whilst digging foundation trenches he found several sherds of red pottery of 'terra cotta' style, a stone well and Swithland slates. Mr Cobley donated them to New Walk Museum who identified the sherds as Roman.

In 1958 Mr William Cobley also brought in 7 Roman coins all copper alloy (Bronze). Coins 1-4 are C1st/C2nd sestertii, coins 5-7 are smaller coins, C3rd/C4th in date.

# Sources - None recorded

# Associated resources - None recorded

# Location

### **National Grid Reference**

SK 482 049 (point) SK40SE Point

## **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

## Associated Designations - None recorded

### Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE CJ

Active

## Related Monuments - None Recorded

# Associated Finds

FLE2723 SHERD (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD) POTTERY
FLE7249 COIN (6-10) (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD) COPPER ALLOY

### Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE8292 Undated quern at Sunbreak, Little Lane Find Spot

A quern is recorded as being in the possession of the owner of this property (in 1960).

Monument Types and Dates

FINDSPOT (Unknown date)
Evidence FIND

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK 477 037 (point) SK40SE Point

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE BM

Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

Associated Finds

FLE5572 QUERN (1) STONE

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE8383Iron Age site at the Caterpillar WorksMonument

During a watching brief in 1997/8 evidence of Iron Age activity was revealed, consisting of a feature containing Iron Age pottery and a smaller feature containing three large loomweights.

Monument Types and Dates

PIT (Iron Age - 800 BC to 42 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

SITE (Iron Age - 800 BC to 42 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

<1> Browning, J, 1998, An archaeological watching brief during groundworks at Caterpillar (UK) Ltd, Peckleton Lane, Desford, Leicestershire (Unpublished document). SLE1445.

Sources

(1) Unpublished document: Browning, J. 1998. An archaeological watching brief during groundworks at Caterpillar (UK) Ltd, Peckleton Lane, Desford, Leicestershire.

## Associated resources - None recorded

#### Location

**National Grid Reference** 

Centred SK 484 017 (226m by 252m) SK40SE Area

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible) Active Old SMR Ref - 40SE CU Active

#### Related Monuments - None Recorded

#### Associated Finds

FLE5780 SHERD (Iron Age - 800 BC to 42 AD) **POTTERY** FLE5781 LOOMWEIGHT (3) (Iron Age - 800 BC to 42 AD) **CLAY** 

## Associated Events/Activities

An archaeological watching brief during groundworks at Caterpillar (UK) Peckleton Lane, Desford, **ELE5671** 

Leicestershire. (Event - Intervention. Ref: 97/00820/4)

**HER Number Site Name Record Type** MLE9263 Undated features north-west of the Caterpillar Works Monument

Evaluation excavation in 2000, preceded by fieldwalking and geophysical survey, located a series of shallow, undated features including ditches and pits.

# Monument Types and Dates

DITCH (Unknown date)

SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT Evidence

PIT (Unknown date)

SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT Evidence

# **Description and Sources**

# Description

Evaluation preceded by fieldwalking and geophysical survey located a series of shallow, undated features including ditches and pits. The fieldwalking located an arrowhead of possible Neolithic date and a Mesolithic retouched blade-like-flake (See MLE9264).

# Sources - None recorded

### Associated resources - None recorded

### Location

### **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 476 023 (185m by 443m) SK40SE Area

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

# Associated Designations - None recorded

**Other Statuses and Cross-References** 

Old SMR Ref - 40SE CU Active
SHINE Candidate (Possible) Active
Old SMR Ref - 40SE CW Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE9264 Mesolithic/Neolithic flint from north-west of the Find Spot

Caterpillar Works

Fieldwalking prior to evaluation excavation in 2000 located an arrowhead of probable Neolithic date and a Mesolithic retouched blade like flake.

Monument Types and Dates

FINDSPOT (Early Mesolithic to Late Neolithic - 10000 BC to 2501 BC)

Evidence UNSTRATIFIED FIND

Description and Sources

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK 475 023 (point) SK40SE Point

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE CW

Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

**Associated Finds** 

FLE12372 BLADE (1) (Mesolithic - 10000 BC to 4001 BC) FLINT FLE12373 ARROWHEAD (1) (Neolithic - 4000 BC to 2501 BC) FLINT

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE9265 Undated features recorded south of Bambrooke Monument

Close

Trial trenching was carried out in 2000. It revealed limited archaeological remains - a gulley and a possible pit. A fragment of a perforated fired clay object was found, tentatively identified as a loom weight.

Monument Types and Dates

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

PIT (Unknown date)

GULLY (Unknown date)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

Centred SK 480 029 (121m by 36m) SK40SE Area

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE CX

Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

Associated Finds

FLE7252 LOOMWEIGHT? (1) CLAY

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE9266 Bronze Age flint from Leicester Road, near Old Find Spot

Manor Farm

During trial trenching in 1999 an early Bronze Age thumbnail scraper and a piercer were found.

Monument Types and Dates

FINDSPOT (Early Bronze Age - 2350 BC to 1501 BC)

Evidence UNSTRATIFIED FIND

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

<1> Thomas, J, 1999, An archaeological evaluation of land off Leicester Lane, Desford. (Unpublished document). SLE1406.

**Sources** 

(1) Unpublished document: Thomas, J. 1999. An archaeological evaluation of land off Leicester Lane, Desford..

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK 480 032 (point) SK40SE Point

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

### Designations, Statuses and Scorings

**Associated Designations - None recorded** 

### **Other Statuses and Cross-References**

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE CV

Active

#### Related Monuments - None Recorded

# **Associated Finds**

FLE7254 THUMB NAIL SCRAPER (1) (Early Bronze Age - 2350 BC to 1501 FLINT

BC)

FLE7255 BORER (1) (Early Bronze Age - 2350 BC to 1501 BC) FLINT

## Associated Events/Activities

ELE5633 An archaeological evaluation of land off Leicester Lane, Desford, Leicestershire. (Event -

Intervention. Ref: 99/00992/4)

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE9267 Iron Age/Roman site, Leicester Road, near Old Monument

Manor Farm

Work in 1999/2000 recorded a IA/Roman site with two phases. During the earlier phase there was an enclosure, corn drier, etc. During the C2nd-C4th the enclosure had fallen out of use; there was evidence for metalworking and tile suggests a stone building nearby.

# Monument Types and Dates

ENCLOSURE (Late Iron Age to Early Roman - 100 BC to 100 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

BUILDING? (Late Iron Age to Late Roman - 100 BC? to 409 AD?)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

DITCH (Late Iron Age to Late Roman - 100 BC to 409 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

PIT (Late Iron Age to Late Roman - 100 BC to 409 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

CORN DRYING OVEN (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT
METAL WORKING SITE? (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

SITE (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

WELL (Early Roman to Late Roman - 101 AD to 409 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

# **Description and Sources**

## **Description - None recorded**

<1> Butler, A, 1999, A Geophysical Survey of Land off Leicester Lane, Desford, Leicestershire (Unpublished document). SLE1451.

Geophysical survey was carried out in 1999.

<2> Thomas, J, 1999, An archaeological evaluation of land off Leicester Lane, Desford. (Unpublished document). SLE1406. Trial trenching in 1999 recorded evidence of Iron Age/Roman activity. Pits, ditches and structural activity were represented by a dense scatter of intercutting features. Finds included several sherds of 1st BC/AD pottery. Most of the features were

Area

Romano British including a possible corn drying oven with good organic preservation. A substantial ditch, which may enclose most of the features, was located. It had at least two phases. Environmental sampling from the Roman corndrier included barley, goosefoot, knotweed and persicaria. Another sample found a fragment of hazelnut shell and some bone fragments.

<3> Thomas, J, 2000, An archaeological excavation on land off Leicester Lane, Desford (Unpublished document). SLE1405. In 2000 13 more trenches were excavated. This was followed by area excavation. This showed further evidence of late Iron Age and early Roman occupation. The large enclosure was squared with a V-shaped ditch and is thought to date from the C1st BC/AD. A single pit was revealed within the enclosure, which remained undated. The features surrounding the enclosure included scattered postholes indicating the vestiges of uninterpretable structures, pits and gullies that provided evidence of localised domestic activity. Later activity (C2nd-C4th) on a smaller scale continued after the enclosure went out of use. Evidence of metalworking was found and a collection of roofing tile suggests stone building nearby. A well was inserted into the backfilled enclosure ditch, probably in the late Roman period.

#### Sources

- (1) Unpublished document: Butler, A. 1999. A Geophysical Survey of Land off Leicester Lane, Desford, Leicestershire.
- (2) Unpublished document: Thomas, J. 1999. An archaeological evaluation of land off Leicester Lane, Desford..
- (3) Unpublished document: Thomas, J. 2000. An archaeological excavation on land off Leicester Lane, Desford.

### Associated resources - None recorded

#### Location

### **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 480 032 (160m by 177m) SK40SE

### **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

### Designations, Statuses and Scorings

# **Associated Designations**

Conservation Area Desford Active DLE670

# Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE CV

Active

### Related Monuments - None Recorded

# Associated Finds

FLE7256 SHERD (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD) POTTERY
FLE7258 SHERD (Late Iron Age - 100 BC to 42 AD) POTTERY

### Associated Events/Activities

ELE5677 A geophysical survey of land off Leicester Lane, Desford, Leicestershire (Event - Intervention. Ref:

98/00992/FUL)

ELE5633 An archaeological evaluation of land off Leicester Lane, Desford, Leicestershire. (Event -

Intervention, Ref: 99/00992/4)

ELE5632 An archaeological excavation on land off Leicester Lane, Desford, Leicestershire. (Event -

Intervention. Ref: PA 98/00992/FUL)

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE9365Undated pit at Peckleton LaneMonument

A watching brief in 2001 recorded a sub-circular pit packed with large burnt pebbles and occasional quartzite stones. Similar features at Eye Kettleby and Husbands Bosworth are thought to date from the Saxon period and Iron Age, respectively. The stones may have been heated during cooking or craft activities.

## Monument Types and Dates

PIT (Unknown date)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

# **Description and Sources**

### **Description - None recorded**

<1> Browning J, 2001, An archaeological watching brief during groundworks for project Delta Phase 11 at Caterpillar (UK) Ltd Peckleton Lane, Desford. (Unpublished document). SLE1448.

### Sources

(1) Unpublished document: Browning J. 2001. An archaeological watching brief during groundworks for project Delta Phase 11 at Caterpillar (UK) Ltd Peckleton Lane, Desford..

#### Associated resources - None recorded

#### Location

#### **National Grid Reference**

SK 475 023 (point) SK40SE Point

### **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

### Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

# Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 40SE DB

Active

# Related Monuments - None Recorded

# Finds - None recorded

# Associated Events/Activities

ELE5674 2001 watching brief during groundworks at Caterpillar (UK) Ltd. Peckleton Lane, Desford, Leicestershire (Event - Intervention)

Leicestershire (Event - Intervention)

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE10025Roman site at Barons Park FarmMonument

Evaluation in 2002 revealed a series of ditches and several pits containing Roman pottery comprising common domestic forms and fabrics that may represent a farmstead or outlying area of a village estate.

# Monument Types and Dates

DITCH (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

PIT (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT
POST HOLE (Roman - 43 AD? to 409 AD?)
Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

# **Description and Sources**

# **Description - None recorded**

<1> 2002, Roman Ditches and Quarry Pits at Barons Park Farm, Desford, Leicestershire: An archaeological evaluation. (Unpublished document). SLE1430.

### **Sources**

(1) Unpublished document: 2002. Roman Ditches and Quarry Pits at Barons Park Farm, Desford,

Leicestershire: An archaeological evaluation...

#### Associated resources - None recorded

#### Location

**National Grid Reference** 

Centred SK 514 042 (134m by 111m) SK50SW Area

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 50SW CS

Active

### Related Monuments - None Recorded

#### Associated Finds

FLE8231 SHERD (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD) POTTERY

#### Associated Events/Activities

ELE5656 2002 trial trenching at Barons Park Farm, Desford, Leicestershire (Event - Intervention)

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE10026 Possible medieval/post-medieval quarrying at Monument

**Barons Park Farm** 

Evaluation in 2002 revealed a series of ditches truncated by later pits, probably evidence for quarrying of local sands and gravels.

# Monument Types and Dates

QUARRY? (Early Medieval to Late Post-medieval - 1067 AD? to 1899 AD?)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

# **Description and Sources**

# **Description - None recorded**

<1> 2002, Roman Ditches and Quarry Pits at Barons Park Farm, Desford, Leicestershire: An archaeological evaluation. (Unpublished document). SLE1430.

# Sources

(1) Unpublished document: 2002. Roman Ditches and Quarry Pits at Barons Park Farm, Desford, Leicestershire: An archaeological evaluation..

# Associated resources - None recorded

# Location

# **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 514 042 (50m by 44m) SK50SW Area

# Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

# Associated Designations - None recorded

HER Number MLE10026 Site Name Possible medieval/post-medieval quarrying at Barons Park Farm

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 50SW CS

Active

#### Related Monuments - None Recorded

#### Finds - None recorded

### Associated Events/Activities

ELE5656 2002 trial trenching at Barons Park Farm, Desford, Leicestershire (Event - Intervention)

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE10253Roman site south-west of Barons Park FarmMonument

Various Roman finds have been recovered from this vicinity in 2004/5 - pottery, 6 coins, a possible earring, a bow brooch, a stud (possibly from a box), a bracelet and a miniature axe.

# Monument Types and Dates

SITE (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD) Evidence FIND

# **Description and Sources**

# Description

Work in 2004/5 recovered the following finds:

Copper alloy dupondius or As of Commodus (175-192)

5 x Copper alloy nummus (late Roman)

5 x Greyware sherd

1 x Shelly ware sherd

1 xx Colour coat sherd

Copper alloy object with gilded surface, possibly an earring

Copper alloy bow brooch (early Roman)

Copper alloy and iron stud, probably from a box

Fragment of a copper alloy cable bracelet (late Roman)

Copper alloy miniature axe

<1> Sites and Monuments Record, Parish File, Desford ELE4855 (Unpublished document). SLE320. Museums Find ID from 2004 lists 10 sherds of Roman pottery (9 greyware sherds and 1 Derbyshire ware sherd).

### **Sources**

(1) Unpublished document: Sites and Monuments Record. Parish File. Desford ELE4855

# Associated resources - None recorded

### Location

### **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 511 041 (105m by 127m) SK50SW Area

# **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Kirby Muxloe, Blaby, Leicestershire

### Designations, Statuses and Scorings

## **Associated Designations - None recorded**

### Other Statuses and Cross-References

Portable Antiquities Scheme - Various Active SHINE Candidate (No) Active

### Related Monuments - None Recorded

### Associated Finds

FLE8494	BOW BROOCH (1) (Early Roman - 43 AD to 249 AD)	COPPER ALLOY
FLE8495	SHERD (>10) (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)	POTTERY
FLE8496	EAR RING (1) (Roman - 43 AD? to 409 AD?)	COPPER ALLOY
FLE8497	COIN (5) (Late Roman - 250 AD to 409 AD)	COPPER ALLOY
FLE18228	COIN (1) (Early Roman - 175 AD to 192 AD)	COPPER ALLOY
FLE18229	STUD (1) (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)	COPPER ALLOY, IRON
FLE18230	MINIATURE OBJECT (1) (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)	COPPER ALLOY
FLE18231	BRACELET (1) (Late Roman - 250 AD to 409 AD)	COPPER ALLOY

### Associated Events/Activities

ELE4855 Pottery from south west of Baron Park Farm (Event - Interpretation)

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE15783Undated ditch at Barons Park FarmMonument

Undated ditch found during trial trenching in 2002 in association with two post-medieval field drains. An apparently straight section of ditch, it had a steep sided, round-based profile, orientated north to south.

# Monument Types and Dates

DITCH (Unknown date)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

# **Description and Sources**

# **Description - None recorded**

<1> 2002, Roman Ditches and Quarry Pits at Barons Park Farm, Desford, Leicestershire: An archaeological evaluation. (Unpublished document). SLE1430.

# Sources

(1) Unpublished document: 2002. Roman Ditches and Quarry Pits at Barons Park Farm, Desford, Leicestershire: An archaeological evaluation..

# **Associated resources - None recorded**

### Location

# **National Grid Reference**

SK 512 044 (point) SK50SW Point

#### **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

# Associated Designations - None recorded

### Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Old SMR Ref - 50SW CS

Active

# Related Monuments - None Recorded

# Finds - None recorded

### Associated Events/Activities

ELE5656 2002 trial trenching at Barons Park Farm, Desford, Leicestershire (Event - Intervention)

HER Number	Site Name	Record Type

#### MLE15965 Desford Airfield Monument

The first airfield here was during WW1 (1916-1918). In 1929 The Leicestershire Aero Club used the site, before leaving in 1935 for Braunstone. It was bought by Reid & Sigrist and used as a training school until 1953, when schools run by civilian contractors closed.

# Monument Types and Dates

MILITARY AIRFIELD (World War I, Modern - 1916 AD to 1918 AD)

Evidence DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

AIRFIELD (Modern - 1929 AD to 1935 AD)

Evidence DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

Evidence EXTANT BUILDING

MILITARY AIRFIELD (World War II, Modern - 1935 AD to 1953 AD)

Evidence EXTANT BUILDING
HANGAR (Modern - 1935 AD to 2050 AD)
Evidence EXTANT BUILDING

# **Description and Sources**

# **Description - None recorded**

<1> M Chorlton, 2003, Leicestershire & Rutland Airfields in the Second World War, p125-139 (Bibliographic reference). SLE197.

Reid & Sigrist built their own planes, modified/repaired planes during the war and converted planes for civilian use after the war. Their final design was the RS.3 Desford, which now rests in storage at Snibston. Today a few hangars survive incorporated into the Caterpillar factory, but everything else has been destroyed (the site was always a grass airfield and did not have concrete runways). There is more information in 'Leicestershire & Rutland Airfields'.

- <2> Cartwright, T C, 2002, Birds Eye Wartime: Leicestershire 1939-1945, p5 (Bibliographic reference). SLE383. There is an aerial photograph of the site in WW2 in 'Birds Eye Wartime'.
- <3> Bonser, Roy, 2001, *Aviation in Leicestershire and Rutland*, *p171-192* (Bibliographic reference). SLE1484. "A landing ground bearing this name [Peckleton] was established on J H Cart's farm, near to the village of Desford, in mid-1916. Brought into use as a night landing ground the site is believed to have been little used and by the middle of 1917 it had been downgraded as suitable for day use only. During 1918 the RFC vacated the field and it once again became farm land. This area of land reverted to aviation once more in 1929 when it became part of Desford Aerodrome."
- <4> Barrymore Halpenny, Bruce, 1981, Action Stations Vol 2 Military airfields of Lincolnshire and the East Midlands, p81-2 (Bibliographic reference). SLE4079.

Desford was a small grass airfield that opened in 1935 as a civilian-manned Elementary and Reserve Training School. At the outbreak of the Second World War it became the home of No. 7 EFTS, equipped with Tiger Moths. After the war the station became No. 7 Reserve Flying School. In 1953 the airfield closed.

# Sources

- (1) Bibliographic reference: M Chorlton. 2003. Leicestershire & Rutland Airfields in the Second World War. p125-139
- (2) Bibliographic reference: Cartwright, T C. 2002. Birds Eye Wartime: Leicestershire 1939-1945. p5
- (3) Bibliographic reference: Bonser, Roy. 2001. Aviation in Leicestershire and Rutland. p171-192
- (4) Bibliographic reference: Barrymore Halpenny, Bruce. 1981. Action Stations Vol 2 Military airfields of Lincolnshire and the East Midlands. p81-2

### Associated resources - None recorded

### Location

# **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 480 019 (1058m by 1307m) SK40SE Area

### **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire
Civil Parish Peckleton, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

## Designations, Statuses and Scorings

# Associated Designations - None recorded

#### Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Unlikely)

Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE16056 Leicester to Swannington Railway/Midland Railway, Monument

Leicester & Burton Branch line

The railway was the sixth steam railway in the country. It was designed by Robert Stephenson and opened in 1832. At Swannington an incline was built to haul the coal trucks up the track from the mines. It became part of the Midland Railway system in 1846.

# Monument Types and Dates

RAILWAY (Late Post-medieval to Modern - 1833 AD to 2050 AD)

Evidence STRUCTURE

### **Description and Sources**

#### **Description - None recorded**

<1> Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society, 1855-present, *Transactions of the Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society, Vol 30 (1954), p59-114* (Journal). SLE6.

The construction of the railway was motivated by the desire to make the exploitation of the north-west Leicestershire coalfield cost effective and to supply coal cheaply to Leicester and the surrounding region. Prior to the construction of the railway, following the failure of the Charnwood Forest Canal, Leicestershire coalminers had been out-competed by the Nottinghamshire industry, who could supply Leicestershire via the Erewash Canal and the Soar Navigation far more cheaply. In 1794 the situation was worsened by the extension of the Navigation to Leicester.

In 1828 William Stenson, having visited George Stephenson's Stockton& Darlington Railway, approached a range of potential sponsors, including John Ellis of Beaumont Leys, a prominent local landowner, with a view to the construction of a railway linking Leicester with the coal fields around Long Lane, Whitwick. Ellis approached Stephenson, who recognised the viability of the project. The first meeting to discuss the line was held at the Bell Inn in Leicester, where subscriptions amounting to £58,250 were raised. The remainder of the £90,000 was raised through Stephenson's financial contacts in Liverpool.

The line obtained Royal Assent on Saturday 29 May 1830 under the title 'Leicester and Swannington Railway Company', authorising the construction within five years of a railway: 'for the passage of wagons and other Carriages, to be drawn, propelled, or moved thereon by stationary and other locomotive Steam Engines, Horses or other adequate Power.' It was to run from West Bridge, Leicester to a termination 'at the public turnpike Road from Hinckley to Melbourne Common', with four branches, to North Bridge, Leicester and to collieries at Bagworth, Ibstock and Whitwick. The first part of the line was opened in 1832.

The line was only the fifth such line to be authorised, opening six years before the London and Birmingham, and required techniques, particularly for the tunnel, that were then virtually untried.

<2> Leleux, Robin, 1984, A Regional History of the Railways of Great Britain: Volume 9, The East Midlands, p84-86 (Bibliographic reference). SLE409.

The original railway included two inclines (Bagworth and Swannington) and the Glenfield tunnel. When the track became part of the Midland Railway in 1846 two parts were bypassed - the Bagworth incline and the Glenfield tunnel (it was impractical to double the track).

<3> Palmer, M (ed), 1983, Leicestershire Archaeology - The Present State of Knowledge - Industrial Archaeology, p60 (Bibliographic reference). SLE412.

The line closed to passenger traffic in 1928. The Desford to West Bridge section of the track closed to goods traffic in 1966, but the remainder of the line to Coalville is still used for goods traffic.

# Sources

(1) Journal: Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society. 1855-present. Transactions of the Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society. Vol 30 (1954), p59-114

- (2) Bibliographic reference: Leleux, Robin. 1984. A Regional History of the Railways of Great Britain: Volume 9, The East Midlands. p84-86
- (3) Bibliographic reference: Palmer, M (ed). 1983. Leicestershire Archaeology The Present State of Knowledge Industrial Archaeology. Volume 3. p60

### Associated resources - None recorded

#### Location

### **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 47 04 (16979m by 13919m) SK40SE Line

#### **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Bagworth & Thornton, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Coalville, North West Leicestershire, Leicestershire
Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Ellistown and Battleflat, North West Leicestershire, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Hugglescote and Donington le Heath, North West Leicestershire, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Ibstock, North West Leicestershire, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Kirby Muxloe, Blaby, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Swannington, North West Leicestershire, Leicestershire
Civil Parish Whitwick, North West Leicestershire, Leicestershire

Unitary Authority Leicester, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

# **Associated Designations**

Conservation Area Coalville Active DLE7398

### Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Active

# **Related Monuments**

MLE20224 Bagworth Incline-Keeper's House, Leicester Heirarchical

to Swannington Railway

# Finds - None recorded

# Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE17057 Barrons/Desford/Barns Park, medieval park Monument

Area of the medieval park at Desford, as defined by A Squires (2008). It may have been created as early as the C12th.

## Monument Types and Dates

DEER PARK (Early Medieval to Early Post-medieval - 1101 AD? to 1650 AD?)

Evidence DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

# **Description and Sources**

## Description

Barn Park, Barrons Park and Desford Park appear to be one and the same.

Barn Park may have existed in the C12th (according to Fox and Russell) when it was enclosed out of Leicester Chase. Saxton shows it on his 1576 map.

Desford Park belonged to the earl of Lancaster in 1297 with whom it remained throughout the C14th. By 1419 it had passed with the Duchy of Lancaster lands into the hands of the Crown.

<1> Hartley R F, 2008, Medieval Earthworks of South-West Leicestershire (Hinckley & Bosworth), p14 (Bibliographic reference). SLE1014.

"The Park was probably created by one of the Earls of Leicester during the 12th century on the western fringes of Leicester Forest. It is mentioned in 1297 and in 1419 when it was part of the Duchy of Lancaster estates. It certainly existed in the 1530s when Leland visited it. At that time the Keeper of Barn Park was one of the forest officers managing the area fo the Crown. It inclosed an area of approximately 250 acres (Fox & Russell, 1948, p26). According to Burton it was still in use in 1641 (Cantor LM, TLAHS, Vol 46, p18). However by the early 17th century it had long since fallen into disuse (ibid, p20). There was still a distinct estate of Barrons Park which appears on 19th century maps (ROLLR 3D42/Mii/1 "Survey of Barrons Park Estate of the late JE Carter Esq, 1813", Ti/89/2 De76, "Barrons Park", 1849, and Dg19/Ma/89/1 "Plan of the Township of Barrons Park", 1849). Park House appears on the 1834 OS map."

#### Sources

(1) Bibliographic reference: Hartley R F. 2008. Medieval Earthworks of South-West Leicestershire (Hinckley & Bosworth). p14

# **Associated resources - None recorded**

### Location

### **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 497 036 (2644m by 1787m)

SK40SE Area

#### **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

#### Designations, Statuses and Scorings

#### Associated Designations - None recorded

#### Other Statuses and Cross-References

Old SMR Ref - 40SE BU Active
Old SMR Ref - 40SE BT Active
SHINE Candidate (No) Active

#### Related Monuments - None Recorded

## Finds - None recorded

# Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE17058Earthworks at Barons ParkMonument

Banks and ditches were recorded via field survey in 1981 and 2007.

# Monument Types and Dates

DITCH (Medieval - 1067 AD to 1539 AD)

Evidence EARTHWORK

EARTHWORK (Medieval - 1067 AD to 1539 AD)

Evidence EARTHWORK

# **Description and Sources**

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

**Associated resources - None recorded** 

## Location

## **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 494 037 (968m by 1203m) SK40SE Area

**Site Name** Earthworks at Barons Park

# HER Number MLE17058

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

### Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

#### Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (No) Active

## Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

#### Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE18026Leicester to Swannington Railway/Midland RailwayMonument

West Bridge branch

The original line ran through Glenfield tunnel, which was 1 mile 36 yds long - the longest in the world at that time. A new line bypassed this in 1849 instead of doubling the track.

# Monument Types and Dates

RAILWAY (Late Post-medieval to Modern - 1832 AD to 1966 AD?)

Evidence STRUCTURE

# **Description and Sources**

## Description

More info is in <1>.

<1> Leleux, Robin, 1984, A Regional History of the Railways of Great Britain: Volume 9, The East Midlands, p84-86 (Bibliographic reference). SLE409.

### Sources

(1) Bibliographic reference: Leleux, Robin. 1984. A Regional History of the Railways of Great Britain: Volume 9, The East Midlands. p84-86

# Associated resources - None recorded

#### Location

## **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 547 064 (8339m by 2144m) SK50NW Line

# **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Glenfield, Blaby, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Ratby, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

# **Associated Designations - None recorded**

# Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible)

Active

#### Related Monuments

MLE16076 Glenfield Railway Tunnel Heirarchical

### Finds - None recorded

#### Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE18378 Linear feature west of St Martin's Drive Monument

A linear feature was noted running north-west/south-east on c.2000 and c.2006 aerial photographs, over 300m in length. Geophysical survey and trial trenching in 2010/2012 did not record the feature.

## Monument Types and Dates

LINEAR FEATURE (Unknown date)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

# **Description and Sources**

### **Description - None recorded**

<1> Butler, A, 2010, Archaeological geophysical survey on land at Hunts Lane, Desford, Leicestershire (Unpublished document). SLE3195.

Geophysical survey in 2010 did not record any trace of the feature.

Report is in ADS Library: 10.5284/1022069 - http://dx.doi.org/10.5284/1022069

<2> 2012, Archaeological evaluation report, Hunts Lane, Desford (Unpublished document). SLE3962. Trial trenching in 2012 did not record any below-ground features relating to this.

#### **Sources**

- (1) Unpublished document: Butler, A. 2010. Archaeological geophysical survey on land at Hunts Lane, Desford, Leicestershire.
- (2) Unpublished document: 2012. Archaeological evaluation report, Hunts Lane, Desford.

### Associated resources - None recorded

#### Location

# **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 471 032 (270m by 165m) SK40SE Line

# **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

## Designations, Statuses and Scorings

### **Associated Designations - None recorded**

# Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible) Active

# Related Monuments - None Recorded

# Finds - None recorded

### Associated Events/Activities

ELE7387 Archaeological geophysical survey on land at Hunts Lane, Desford, Leicestershire (Event - Survey)
ELE8553 Archaeological evaluation report, Hunts Lane, Desford (Event - Intervention. Ref: 11/00029/OUT)

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE18744Possible enclosure, Hunts LaneMonument

Three possible ditches and a pit were located during geophysical survey work in 2010. It was thought that they could form the sides of a wide sub-rectangular enclosure. Trial trenching in 2012 did not record any features that appeared to relate to an enclosure, though two furrows were recorded that could explain two of the 'sides'.

## Monument Types and Dates

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

### **Description and Sources**

### **Description - None recorded**

ENCLOSURE? (Unknown date)

<1> Butler, A, 2010, Archaeological geophysical survey on land at Hunts Lane, Desford, Leicestershire (Unpublished document). SLE3195.

Report is in ADS Library: 10.5284/1022069 - http://dx.doi.org/10.5284/1022069

<2> 2012, Archaeological evaluation report, Hunts Lane, Desford (Unpublished document). SLE3962.

#### Sources

- (1) Unpublished document: Butler, A. 2010. Archaeological geophysical survey on land at Hunts Lane, Desford, Leicestershire.
- (2) Unpublished document: 2012. Archaeological evaluation report, Hunts Lane, Desford.

## Associated resources - None recorded

#### Location

#### **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 471 033 (71m by 74m) SK40SE Area

#### **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

# **Associated Designations - None recorded**

### Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible) Active

# Related Monuments - None Recorded

#### Finds - None recorded

# Associated Events/Activities

ELE7387 Archaeological geophysical survey on land at Hunts Lane, Desford, Leicestershire (Event - Survey)
ELE8553 Archaeological evaluation report, Hunts Lane, Desford (Event - Intervention. Ref: 11/00029/OUT)

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE20307 Medieval cauldron foot from near Bosworth College Find Spot

In 1983 several finds were handed in to the Museums Service for identification. One was a medieval copper alloy cauldron foot found somewhere near Bosworth College.

# Monument Types and Dates

FINDSPOT (Late Medieval - 1350 AD to 1539 AD)

Evidence FIND

# **Description and Sources**

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

### Location

**National Grid Reference** 

SK 485 032 (point) SK40SE Point

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (No) Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

Associated Finds

FLE16672 CAULDRON (1) (Late Medieval - 1350 AD to 1539 AD) COPPER ALLOY

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE20694 Medieval remains, 23, Main Street Monument

Trial trenching in 2013 recorded a medieval gully, pit and post hole, all sealed by a later medieval layer. 47 sherds of early medieval pottery (including some possibly late Saxon pottery) were recovered from these features. Only 5 sherds of late medieval pottery were found, all from the later cultivation soil layer.

# Monument Types and Dates

GULLY (Early Medieval - 1100 AD to 1300 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

PIT (Early Medieval - 1100 AD to 1300 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

POST HOLE (Early Medieval - 1100 AD to 1300 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

LAYER (Late Medieval - 1350 AD to 1539 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

**Description and Sources** 

### **Description - None recorded**

<1> Trott, Kevin, 2013, Archaeological field evaluation (trial trenching), 23, Main Street, Desford (Unpublished document). SLE3963.

#### Sources

 Unpublished document: Trott, Kevin. 2013. Archaeological field evaluation (trial trenching), 23, Main Street, Desford.

## Associated resources - None recorded

# Location

**National Grid Reference** 

Centred SK 4777 0342 (22m by 20m) SK40SE Area

Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

## Designations, Statuses and Scorings

# **Associated Designations**

Conservation Area Desford Active DLE670

### Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible) Active

#### Related Monuments - None Recorded

#### Associated Finds

FLE15551	SHERD (Medium quantity)	(Late Anglo Saxon to Early Medieval -	POTTERY
	850 AD to 1349 AD)		

**POTTERY** FLE15552 SHERD (5) (Late Medieval - 1350 AD to 1539 AD)

FLE15553 PLANT REMAINS (Small quantity) (Early Medieval - 1067 AD to

1349 AD)

FLE15556 ROOF SLATE (1) (Medieval - 1067 AD to 1539 AD) SLATE

FLE15557 VERTEBRATE REMAINS (Small quantity) (Medieval - 1067 AD to

1539 AD)

#### Associated Events/Activities

**ELE8554** 2013 trial trenching, 23, Main Street, Desford (Event - Intervention)

**HER Number Site Name Record Type** MLE20695 Monument

Post-medieval remains, 23, Main Street

Trial trenching in 2013 recorded two post-medieval pits and wall/floor sections belonging to former stables. 17 sherds of post-medieval pottery were found and a piece of clay tobacco pipe.

## Monument Types and Dates

PIT (Late Post-medieval - 1700 AD to 1899 AD)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

STABLE (Late Post-medieval to Modern - 1850 AD? to 1960 AD?)

Evidence SUB SURFACE DEPOSIT

## **Description and Sources**

## **Description - None recorded**

<1> Trott, Kevin, 2013, Archaeological field evaluation (trial trenching), 23, Main Street, Desford (Unpublished document). SLE3963.

#### Sources

(1) Unpublished document: Trott, Kevin. 2013. Archaeological field evaluation (trial trenching), 23, Main Street, Desford.

# Associated resources - None recorded

#### Location

# **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 4781 0343 (11m by 11m) SK40SE Area

# Administrative Areas

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

#### Associated Designations

Conservation Area Desford Active **DLE670** 

## Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (Possible) Active

### Related Monuments - None Recorded

### Associated Finds

FLE15554 SHERD (>10) (Early Post-medieval to Late Post-medieval - 1650 AD POTTERY

to 1899 AD)

FLE15555 CLAY PIPE (SMOKING) (1) (Late Post-medieval - 1801 AD to 1899 CLAY

AD)

FLE15558 VERTEBRATE REMAINS (Small quantity) (Late Post-medieval -

1700 AD to 1899 AD)

### Associated Events/Activities

ELE8554 2013 trial trenching, 23, Main Street, Desford (Event - Intervention)

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE21277Turnpike Road, Foston Lane to OsbastonMonument

Road running from Foston Lane on the Leicester to Welford Road, via Desford, to Osbaston on the Hinckley to Melbourne Road (later became the B582).

# Monument Types and Dates

TOLL ROAD (Late Post-medieval - 1787 AD to 1874 AD)

Evidence STRUCTURE

# **Description and Sources**

#### **Description - None recorded**

<1> Arthur Cossons, 2003, The Turnpike Roads of Leicestershire and Rutland, p64 (No. 28) (Bibliographic reference). SLE3094.

1787-8 Act of 1st Authorisation. To expire 1874.

#### Sources

(1) Bibliographic reference: Arthur Cossons. 2003. The Turnpike Roads of Leicestershire and Rutland. p64 (No. 28)

### Associated resources - None recorded

# Location

# **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 5123 0139 (19680m by 10621m) SK50SW Line

## **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Barlestone, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Blaby, Blaby, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Countesthorpe, Blaby, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Enderby, Blaby, Leicestershire
Civil Parish Kilby, Blaby, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Kirby Muxloe, Blaby, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Leicester Forest East, Blaby, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Lubbesthorpe, Blaby, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Newbold Verdon, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Osbaston, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Civil Parish Thurlaston, Blaby, Leicestershire
Civil Parish Whetstone, Blaby, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

# **Associated Designations**

HER Number MLE21277 Site Name Turnpike Road, Foston Lane to Osbaston

Conservation Area Desford Active DLE670
Conservation Area Enderby Active DLE689

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (No) Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE21330Lindridge CollieryMonument

The colliery was originally sunk in 1875. Production ceased in 1887.

# Monument Types and Dates

COLLIERY (Late Post-medieval - 1875 AD to 1887 AD)

Evidence DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

# **Description and Sources**

### Description

"Lindridge Colliery, although sunk in 1875 was not fully in production until now [1883] when a further shaft was sunk." Information from 'http://www.healeyhero.co.uk/rescue/individual/Bob\_Bradley/Bk-2/JA83B.html', accessed 11/07/2014.

"Production at Lindridge Colliery ceased [in 1887]."

Information from 'http://www.healeyhero.co.uk/rescue/individual/Bob\_Bradley/Bk-2/JA87B.html', accessed 11/07/2014.

## Sources - None recorded

# Associated resources - None recorded

## Location

### **National Grid Reference**

Centred SK 4722 0451 (158m by 108m) SK40SE Area

## **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References - None recorded

# Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

# Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER NumberSite NameRecord TypeMLE21525Desford Brick Works, Main Street, BotchestonMonument

Brick Works shown on the late C19th OS map.

### Monument Types and Dates

BRICKWORKS (Late Post-medieval - 1850 AD? to 1899 AD?)

Evidence DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

Centred SK 4795 0513 (106m by 139m) SK40NE Area

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

Associated Designations - None recorded

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (No) Active

Related Monuments - None Recorded

Finds - None recorded

Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE21811 St Martin's Church burial ground, Church Lane Monument

Burial ground of the parish church of Desford.

Monument Types and Dates

CHURCHYARD (Early Medieval to Modern - 1267 AD? to 2050 AD)

Evidence STRUCTURE

**Description and Sources** 

**Description - None recorded** 

Sources - None recorded

Associated resources - None recorded

Location

**National Grid Reference** 

Centred SK 4786 0345 (95m by 69m) SK40SE Area

**Administrative Areas** 

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

Designations, Statuses and Scorings

**Associated Designations** 

Conservation Area Desford Active DLE670

Other Statuses and Cross-References

SHINE Candidate (No) Active

Related Monuments

MLE11219

CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN, CHURCH LANE Heirarchical

(SOUTH SIDE), DESFORD

#### Finds - None recorded

## Associated Events/Activities - None recorded

HER Number Site Name Record Type

MLE22286 Roman sherd and possible burnishing tool from Find Spot

south of Botcheston

In 1998 a sherd of Roman mortarium and a flint/chert nodule that could be a burnishing tool were found somewhere between SK 478 047 and Desford Mill.

# Monument Types and Dates

FINDSPOT (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD)

Evidence FIND

# **Description and Sources**

### **Description - None recorded**

<1> Sites and Monuments Record, Parish File, Desford 40SE CT (Unpublished document). SLE320.

### Sources

(1) Unpublished document: Sites and Monuments Record. Parish File. Desford 40SE CT

#### Associated resources - None recorded

# Location

# **National Grid Reference**

SK 4822 0451 (point) SK40SE Point

# **Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish Desford, Hinckley and Bosworth, Leicestershire

# Designations, Statuses and Scorings

## Associated Designations - None recorded

# Other Statuses and Cross-References

Old SMR Ref - 40SE CT Active SHINE Candidate (No) Active

#### Related Monuments - None Recorded

# Associated Finds

FLE18691 SHERD (1) (Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD) POTTERY FLE18692 BURNISHER? (1) (Roman - 43 AD? to 409 AD?) STONE

## Associated Events/Activities - None recorded