

7. OTHER FEATURES

Pits 224 and 385, both in the eastern part of the site, contained lithics with Pit 224 also containing fragments of iron and glass. The lithics were in such small quantities they could easily be residual or intrusive. The pits could not be related to other features by location or form and, due to the lack of other dating material, remain undated. A broad, shallow linear ditch (C218) was also encountered in the eastern part of the site, containing a large number of marine shells. However, no dating evidence was retrieved from this feature.

Of the remaining 128 features, nearly all could be categorised as post-medieval pits. These were typically sub-circular, 1.0–1.5m in diameter and 0.1–0.4m in depth. They were filled with brown-grey sandy silt, and in some cases packed full of medium-sized stones. In total 26 of these pits contained post-medieval glass and china, with a handful also containing fragments of animal bone identified as cattle, pony and mouse. In conversation with members of the local agricultural community, it was suggested the pits may have been potato clamps (clamps are used for the temporary storage of crops).