6. CONCLUSION

A Middle Bronze Age roundhouse and urned cremation cemetery were the earliest form of activity at Thainstone. This was followed by evidence of continued cremation practices into the Late Bronze Age. No further activity was identified within the excavation area until the Middle Iron Age, however, it is possible occupation continued

beyond the excavation area. A large roundhouse and associated souterrain were occupied in the 1st or 2nd century AD, and possibly formed part of a community, with evidence of a nearby, broadly contemporary, roundhouse *c* 300m to the east. The site was likely abandoned in the 2nd century AD when the roundhouse was burnt down and the souterrain was deliberately re-roofed.