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CONTEXT F. 4001...

CUTTING ...h7-h6-K6-K7...

DATE EXPOSED 16/7/80.....

DATE COMPLETED 14/8/80.....

DESCRIPTION Area of worn limestone, N.E. edge of h7, & E. edge h6.
Heavy amounts of burnt limestone also present. → see F 4025.

MAX. WIDTH AND DIRECTION ...At least 12m E-W & c. 7m N-S, run for...

MAX. LENGTH AND DIRECTION ...More in SE/NE & north of fence...

MAX. DEPTH/HEIGHT THICKNESS ...One dense thickness...

OVERLIES ...~~Bedrock~~ Shallow limestone / Bedrock in pass...

OVERLAIN BY ...Topsoil - Prange (1)...

CUTS

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ABUTS OR CONTIGUOUS WITH ...F4025...

PLANS No. h7-h6 (1) SECTIONS No. K7-K6 (1)

PHOTO: B/W COL. NEG. NOS. ...

SAMPLE Type: Nos. ...

EXCAVATOR

RECORDER RPS

ASSOCIATED FEATURES ~~F4022~~, ~~F4023~~ F4025ASSOCIATED FINDS Numerous pebbles & pebble fragments, lots of millstone grit,
various other odds & sods. Dab 11, Pa 27, Baso 21, GRT 3, Flint 3, Pebbles 34 →
when actually remaining here, as near as the surface.COMMENT First thought possible area of wear associated with suspected
structure.Second thought, recovery large area of K6, K7 as well,
evidence of wear suggests to me that we are dealing with a track
part of same form.

PHASING

SECTION:

NOTES/PHOTOGRAPHS:

The extent and intensity of the wear suggests that the amount of heavy movement over this area is exceptional compared to the rest of the hill as excavated to date. The enormous amount of pebbles and other non-indigenous stones found in the area also suggest a greater than normal amount of ^{the} activity for which these were used. (Of particular note is the millstone girt - cut off from quarry?). These factors coupled with the distance from the main settlement area lead me to suggest that we are dealing with a yard area where various farming activities were carried out including perhaps the penning in of cattle at night. F4025 may well be an open bonfire in one corner of the yard, certainly the burning end was seen to log about rather than na, although burnt worn stones would presumably look like burnt stones.

It is possible that the worn stones were laid (see H012), flat surface could have been produced by heavy movement across it.