

WEST YEO FARM CONTEXTS/FINDS			2011/2012	In Pond Meadow, South of farmhouse, adjacent to garden				
Context No	Trench	Location	Layer/Cut/Deposit/Fill	Description/Interpretation	Finds (inc.SF No.)	Date	Initials	
501	T5	Topsoil light red, silty clay (same as 401)	Layer	Soil directly below turf. Light red/clayey. At W section approx 32cm deep from top. Above 502 (slight ash layer) in W section	Ceramics/glass 19th C.Bone. Clay pipe, coal	8.4.11	D.Bryant	
502		Directly under 501 in NW corner to East and West	Layer	Bonfire layer (seen in T2 2010). Ashlayer dark grey/black. Above 503. Below 501.		"	"	
503		Across trench	Layer	Layer of mid grey-brown overburden. Fine, silty, loose texture, stones, ceramics, glass, coal. 32cm deep on first measuring	China/glass/coal, yellow sandy soil. Modern ceramics. Mix of small/big stones. Coal	"	"	
504		N side of T5	Deposit	First trowelling after digger removed topsoil. Spread of heavy stone ?building stone. 28cm x 32 x 10, 37cm x 10 x 10Large grey angular /rectangular/squarish stones (original view of feature (F52). Within layer 506, below 501.	Post med and 19th C pot. Glass, ceramics, bone, charcoal, iron <a href="#">SKETCH</a>	9.4.11	B.Fox	
505		SE corner	Deposit	Large flat stones laid flat in C506 ?floor surface.Spread of large flat stones (large) laid together next to spread of small tumbled stones (SE corner of T5). Natural grey colour. In layer 506. Lots of small stones, angular, in hard packed clayey soil. Area of dark ?burned soil to S of large stones near S section. stones 27cm x 19, 22 x 25. Small tumble of stones in SE corner, when removed, revealed more large flat stones laid side by side. Possible line of stones SE-NW with smaller edging vertical stones beside. Interpretation?possible path. Larger stones measure 35cm x 35cm. Area abuts wall F5(2) and F5(4).	Pot and glass <a href="#">SKETCH</a>	9.4.11	Fi/Paul recorded by D.Bryant	
506		Immediately beneath 503,	Layer	Layer of stony mid brown soil with lots of small/med size stones. Below grey/brown layer 503, includes large building/quarried stone layer.	Mixed 19th C pot, Post med ND pot, small charcoal, glass, clay pipe June 2011: Sgraffito rim	10.4.11	D.Bryant	
F5(1)		Within 506 level with top of big stones 504. In N section below 503, above 506	Cut	Round Posthole 15cm dia. cutting North end of F5(4). Next to N section Filled with dark crumbly silty clay soil/charcoal mix. Cut into orange clay. Rich charcoal mix. Excavated to depth of 10cm. Hole continues down to right. Not fully excavated. Similar charcoal soil visible in layer above posthole	Small pieces of charcoal. <a href="#">Sampled</a>	10.4.11	Dbryant	
507		Under small tumbled stones West of wall F5(4)		Dark soft ?burned soil with remnants of charcoal , under tumbled stones W of big wall. Voids in tumbled stones	<a href="#">SKETCH</a>			
F5 (2)		previously 504 - SE to NW from E edge of T5 with right angle return to south	Deposit	Linear feature of large stones (not clay bonded) possible wall running SE to NW from E edge of T5. Well constructed ? Retaining wall of coursed sandstone - butts up against F5(4). With smaller tumbled stones to south.	<a href="#">SKETCH</a>			

			Deposit	Later revealed to be building wall 0.3m high, L2.6m, W 0.3 - 0.4m variable, with smooth faced S side, jagged on N side. 4 courses visible 11.7.11. Clay bonded. Hard silty clay layer ?floor charcoal flecked, removed to reveal rubble fill and more larger stones at base of wall inside. Cut of ditch into clay for foundation of wall revealed. Small packed stones N-S in base of foundation ditch.	Small pieces of "old" pot found in hard clay layer, 508 No finds in rubble fill. <a href="#">SKETCH</a>		
F5(3)		previously 505 - SE corner of T5		Flat stones laid side by side with tumble of small stones above, to East, into section			
508		NE retained corner T5	Layer	Layer of compacted clean light red/orange silty clay, butts up against F5(4) bordered by F5(2), NE corner of T5. Flecked with charcoal. Within ?retaining wall. Below 503.	<a href="#">SF22 ND gravel tempered bowl sherd with sculpted rim 1500-19thC</a>	12.4.11	B Shrigley, L.hosegood
		"		"	<a href="#">SF No 1: 4 sherds ND med coarseware 13-15C pot 8.6.11 SF No. 23 chert flake deb 2.7.11</a>		
"		"		On removal of hard clay in April 2012, small pot sherds found	Clay roof tile sherd, dk green bottle glass sherd, hand made brick sherd, thin gritty orange pot sherd?13-15th C	15.4.12	L.Hosegood
509		N section T5 (close to wall n T4)	Fill	Fill of posthole F5(1) cut into context 506. <a href="#">Sample No. T501</a> Dk grey/brown loose soft dark clayey soil. Small charcoal. 15cm E-W, 10cm N-S, 53cm depth from surface. Excavated to depth of 10cm; continues to right side.		12.4.11	DBryant
F5(4)		From N section running south	Deposit	Wall running NE/SW - adjoining F5(2) see TG notes.Length 1.78m W0.80, H0.38. Eastern edge faced with large cut stones (0.3L 0.4L) Western faced edge with smaller cut stones. Rubble infill. Clay bonded At least 3 courses (9.6.11). Includes one piece of volcanic trapp (dressed) and possible post hole at SW end. N end appeared to go into section, post hole in N end - possibly in line with one in T4 ?old garden fence. N end of wall in area of hard clay soil. When removed, revealed gap between wall and section. S end of wall robbed away, leaving red clay band across trench in same alignment - possible continuation of old wall. To West of wall, tumbled angular stones in dk soil, possible foundation trench for wall. Orange natural clay in NW corner	<a href="#">SKETCH</a> SF13: ND gravel tempered pot sherd 1500-19thC In rubble: SF14 1x ND medieval coarseware		
F5 (5)		135 cm S of wall F5(4)	Cut	Possible stakehole 135cm S of wall			
F5 (6)		SW end of F5(4)	Cut	Possible stakehole @ SW end of wall F5(4). 149cm from N section against corner of wall F5(4). 150cm from W section 5cm x 4cm			

510	NW section/corner	Deposit	?Burned soil/with charcoal within NW section/corner. Silty/Mix of pot	SF No. 4 Whetstone, June 2011 Tgreen. SF No.5 Sandstone with piecrust decoration 5.6.11 Tgreen. SF No. 16: round hammerstone/polisher June 2011 SF12 burned pot sherds Upper Greensand .SF17 ND medieval coarseware + 1 ND gravel free sherd. SF95 Trailed slip ?tile sherd. SF123: Red clay Donyatt cup with slip and copper green		
511	NW corner	Layer	Orange clay with angular/irregular stone medium and small in NW corner next to dark brown soil 512			
512	Beside wall F5(4)	Layer	Humus rich dk brown soil beside wall.	No finds		
F5 (7)	97 cm S of F5(4)	Cut	Possible stakehole square. 4.5 x 4. 2.4m from W section, 20cm S of 2m string	In this area SF18 ND gravel tempered bowl 15-16thC fits together 11.6.11		
F5 (8)	150 cm S of F5(4)	Cut	Possible stakehole triangular - 4cm equilateral. 2.38m from W section, 20cm S of 2m string	IN THIS AREA SF NO 7 LATE 10TH-13THC UPPER GREENSAND DERIVED POT BURNED.		
F5(9)	147cm S of F5(4)	Cut	Possible stakehole square 1.96 E of W section, 1.70 N of S section	in this area SF8.Late 15th-16thC cooking pot sherds		
F5 (10)	105 N of south 2m section	Cut	Possible stakehole 1.04N of S section, 2.4 E of W section			
F5(11)	50cm N of S sect	Cut	)Triangular. 6cm x 6cm, 5cm depth in layer 506. 0.6N from S section, 1.85cm from W section These 2 stakeholes 5 cm apart			
F5 (12)	"	Cut	)Stakehole square. 4cm x 4cm (contained dry shaped end of stake) 0.6m N of S section, 1.73cm from W section	Containing end of shaped stake SF No. 20 June 2011		
F5 (13)	106 cm N of S 2m section		Possible stakehole 4 x 4cm square. 1.10m from S section, 2.8m from W section			
F5 (14)	127cm N of S section 18" E of 13 and 15	Cut	Stakehole triangular (?lost) 2.10 from E sect, 1.40 from S sect			
513	Across centre of trench covering large flat stones	Deposit	Layer of small/med sized stones across centre of trench covering large flat stones, containing bottle glass/ceramics/ash ?Path	SF15 ND medieval coarseware 1200-1450, 1 sherd ND medieval jug IN DARK SOIL UNDER 513 SF38: 2 xND Med.coarseware1200-1450 + 1 ND gravel free 15-18THc. IN central strip above big stones SF39: 3 ND med coarseware 1200-1450.5.7.11: SF47 ND gravel tmpered rect baking dish sherd. SF66: ND red ware jug sherds 15-16thC. 3.7.11 in front of wall: SF69 bottle glass base and neck, body sherds. SF71 ND med coarseware Inf ront of step 9.7.11: SF74 ND 15-16thC pot sherds glazed. 8.7.11: in front of step: SF128 ND Med jug sherd 1200-1450		

514	(?same as 507)	Over and beside large flat stones	Deposit	Dark brown/black soft soil over and beside big flat stones ?burned soil - shows in section. No pot. stayed v.wet in corner	In SE area in dark soil ?burned - close to wall SF No. 3: Mesolithic flint microlith. IN TUMBLED STONES SE CORNER: SF89 6 sherds ND thrown AND SF91 (ND gravel tempered handle) SF90 heavy nail	Jun-11	
515	(?same as 522))	NW corner	Layer	Natural bright orange clay			
F5 (15)		South area	Cut	Stakehole triangular with stake still in it - black?burned post. Or decomposed. Hole 6 x 6cm. 48 cm S of 2m string, 2.75m from W section	End of stake black -still in situ		Drawing sht 7, no. 2
516		Between stone tumble to front of wall F5(2)	Deposit	Dark soil humus rich inbetween stone tumble to front of wall F5(2).Abutting wall F5(4) below level of wall top	Plant root. No other finds SKETCH	2.7.11	D.Bryant
517	?same as 522	NW corner T5	Layer	Natural; orange firm clay. Cut by foundation trench for wall F5(4). Natural clay. North of baulk between trenches	No finds SKETCH	3.7.11	L.Hosegood/D. Bryant
518		Next to F5(4) AND 517	?Fill	Fill of ?foundation trench for wall F5(4). Dark brown, small stones, medium stones, ectangular. Vertically dumped. Fill of foundation trench for wall F5(4). Abuttin F5(4) to East.		3.7.11	D.Bryant/L.Hosegood
519		Abutting F5(4)	Cut	Cut of foundation trench for wall F5(4)		3.7.11	
F5(16)		In 2 m section in context 520 orange clay	Cut	Posthole W of large stones running N-S.Circular 5cm x 4cm. Evidence of post still in situ . In hard clay layer	Containing remains of stake IN THIS AREA CLEANING BACK CLAY SF60 ND med coarseware sherd	4.7.11	Ali
F5 (17)		E of big stones running N-S across 2m section in hard stony layer	Cut	Small post hole in context 520 (orange clay band). 2.3 m from E section, 140cm from S section. East of and adjacent to large stones running across 2m section N-S. In hard clay layer.	SKETCH OF P/HOLES	4.7.11	D.Bryant
520		Running SW across S of T5 fromragged end of F5(4) next to line of tumbled large stones N-S.	Layer	Yellow/orange clay layer (hard) across S of T5, running SW (relatively stone free) from ragged end of F5(4), next to line of tumbled large stones N-S. Roughly 80cm wide. Containing post hole F5(16). Cut by 534. Possible previous wall, robbed out.		5.7.11	D.Bryant
521			Deposit	Area of small stones tightly packed in dark brown soil in a band E/SW next to orange clay band 520 (with 19th C pot)	SF No: Volcanic trapp SF No. 48: bell shaped pot, SF No. 49, buckle8.7.11 IN THIS AREA SW CORNER : 5.7.11, SF53 Burned med coarseware, SF55 ND fravel free rim + SF56 As Exeter Inn 15-16thC +1 x 17thC jar sherd	8.7.11	
		South West corner T5			SF129: ND ridge tile	9.7.11	TG
522	(same as) 517	NW corner	Layer	Natural orange clay			
523		Running in band SW along E side of 520	Deposit	Strip of med to large heavy flat stones runningin band along E side of 520. At N end sitting in matrix of soft wet clay silt. At S end to be covering a stone lined drain 525At N end sitting in matrix			
F5(18)		East of large stones running N-S across T5	Cut	Possible posthole to E of large stones running N-S across T5 approx 1 ft from S sect.0.4m from S section, 2.4m from E sect			

F5 (19)		To N/E of F5(18)	Cut	Possible posthole to NE of F5(18) 1.10m from S section, 1.5m from E sect			
F5 (20)		Close to S section 1.70m from E sect	Deposit	Larger area of dk soft soil close to S section ?pit. 1.70m from E sect, 0.50m E-W. 0.32m N-S	Possibly created by mechanical digger?		
F5 (21)		In small packed stones in "circle" area 1.4m from S sect, 2.3m from E sect	Cut	Small stakehole (cancelled)			
F5 (22)		1.7 from W sect, 2.2m from S sect	Cut	Posthole, small, deep. 5cm circular x 7cm. Cutting C520. Depth 8cm not fully excavated (wet)			
F5(23)		Close to W sect	Cut	Round Posthole (cutting C521). ?Modern (in line with posthole in T4.) 15cm x 15cm.Depth 21cm 28cm from W sect. 1.3 m from S sect. Filled with dark soft soil	1 sherd ND orange pot with green glaze SFNo 121 10 x remnants of wooden post SF No 122 <a href="#">SAMPLE</a>	17.9.11	P.Hudson
F5(24)		In front (S) of F5(2)	Deposit	Small retaining wall of medium sized stones at junctin of 2 bigger walls.. Possible step feature in front of wall F5(2). Aligned E-W.Line of small packed edging stones ,,containing fill of soft dark humus rich soil, with larger stones underneath. Evidence of burning in soil. Evidence of plant material within soil.Suggested flower bed of later period? Or step up to living accommodation?	Pot, glass, charcoal. SF No 28 flint square scraper (Richard) 9.7.11 <a href="#">SF30: 4 sherds ND medieval jug glazed SF30A: 4 ND medieval coarseware 1200-1450</a>	9.7.11	D.Bryant
524		Underneath dk soil SE of T5, going into S section. Abutting heavy stone ?path SE corner of T5 (small area missing by S section - possibly removed by mech. Digger	Deposit	Layer of small (2-4cm) stones tightly packed and laying flat. ?Floor surface underneath dark soil SE of T5, going right into S section. Interpretation floor layer.	No finds except for small black staining - not quite charcoal	14.8.11	Jenny/Di Warmington
525		Beside (E) of clay band centre trench (beneath 523) and beside 520.	Cut	Lateral trench/ditch. Possible gully/drain/eaves drip beside (East)clay band 520. Possible drainage ditch beside old wall. Abutting ?path at right angles from South East. And clay band to West	Smallstones/medium heavy stones. Dark brown wet soil	14.8.11	T.Green
526		S of F5(2) underneath old "step" feature F5(24)	Layer	Layer of random med to large flattish angular heavy stone rubble underneath old "step" feature in front of wall F5(2). ?Demolition rubble originally covered by "step"/flowerbed. In dark soil	No finds	14.8.11	Recorded by D.Bryant
527			Cut	Gully/drain covered with flat stones NW-SE Not fully escavated	<a href="#">SKETCH</a>	14.8.11	D.Bryant
528			Cut	Curved gully/drain NW-SE. Stone lined	<a href="#">SKETCH</a>		T.Green
529	(?same as 511)	Fill of 530	Fill	Fill of cut 530 soft dark silt, few stones			
530		Ditch next to F5(4)	Cut	Shallow cut of ditch next to F5(4). Cut into 522 W 0.60m. Partly investigated at North end. Shallow, no more than 0.10m			
531		Fill of 534 depression in clay band	Fill	Soft dark fill of depression through clay band 520			

532	Next to W section	Cut	Small pit against and beneath West section. Cuts 535 - soft dark silty fill (533)0.8m. Not fully excavated. E edge of feature 0.7m as far as seen 23.9.11	Glazed pot and some animal bone.		
533	"	Fill	Fill of 532 Soft dark silty soil			
534		Cut	Probable cut through 520 soft fill with stones (531). Partially investigated.	Some pot	23.9.11	T.Green
535A	Set into 521 West of trench and W of clay band 520	Deposit	Squarish chunk of volcanic trapp.?Possible post pad		"	T.Green
535	Between F5 (28) and F5(29)	Layer	Layer of small stones between F5(28) and F5 (29) - cut by 532			
F5 (27)		Cut	Post or stake hole	No context sheet		
F5 (28)	Defining N edge of 535	Deposit	Band of medium stones defining N edge of F535			
F5 (29)	NW corner	Deposit	Rough band of medium stones in NW corner			
536	NE corner in retained feature. Abutting rubble fill aligned E-W. and small thinner packing stones N-S	Deposit	After removal of flattish heavy stones, Layer of mixed heavy medium sized angular stones E-W in retained feature of T5 at East end plus some large pieces. Interpretation; rubble in E end of foundation ditch 538 behind N wall F5(2). Length 157cm, width 45cm, depth 30cm. Stones aligned N-S.	NB: 2 larger stones )(coursed) in E section next to rubble. Plus removal of medium sized stones revealed larger sized stones <a href="#">SKETCH</a> . No finds	20.4.12	TGreen/BShrigley
537	"	Deposit	Rubble fill alignment E-W of mixed medium size stones at W end of retained feature behind (N) of wall F5(2) Width 58cm N-S, Length 87cm, depth 10cm. Partially filling foundation trench, abutting small narrow wall N-S (540) out of N section. Filling cut of 538.	No finds		TGreen
538	"	Cut	Cut into natural clay E-W for foundation trench of wall F5(2)	No finds	20.4.12	TGreen
539	"	Deposit	Small thin stones standing on edge close packed, wedged N-S beside rubble fill at Eastern end of foundation trench. Only some remaining; presume rest robbed out. Interpretation ; packing stones. Abutting rubble 536 Length of feature: 71cm E-W, width 20cm	No finds	20.04.12	Dug by Tgreen. Recorded by B.Shrigley
540	Out of N section, abutting wall F5(4) and F5(2) at juncture of 2 walls	Deposit	Narrow coursed wall of small stones out of N section, abutting wall F5(4) and F5(2) at juncture of 2 walls.?Continuation of structure in T4? Depth 53cm, Width 25cm, Length 60cm. At least 6 courses of small/med stones. Clay bonded. Possibly later than F5(2). Possibly continuing into T4 above, may be part of structure in T4	<a href="#">SKETCH</a>		TGreen