

4 Methodology by *Paul Duffy & Iain Banks*

Watching briefs, controlled soil stripping and excavations all followed standard methodological procedures; topsoil was removed by machine, using a flat-bladed bucket, until archaeological deposits were identified. The only exception to this methodology occurred during the stripping of the southern half of the footprint for WH40, where a bulldozer was used to strip the area under sporadic archaeological supervision.

Following machining, cleaning and excavation were by hand. Standard recording methodologies

of written, drawn and photographic records documented all deposits.

Geophysical survey in Area C was conducted using a Geoscan RM15 resistivity meter and a Geoscan FM36 fluxgate gradiometer, surveying over 20m grids at intervals of 1m. Twenty resistivity grids and 23 magnetometer grids were surveyed, covering the area to the east and north of the spoilheap. Data were processed at the time of the fieldwork through Geoplot v2.