

STEPNEY HIGH STREET 1979.

The Animal Bones.

Some 449 bones were recovered from Stepney High Street. most features were post medieval in date except for two medieval pits (111 112 , 146 147) in Phase 1. The following species were identified; ox (Bos sp.), sheep (Ovis sp.), pig (Sus sp.), horse (Equus sp.), rabbit (Oryctolagus cuniculus), dog (Canis sp.), domestic fowl (Gallus sp.), jackdaw (Corvus monedula), and pigeon (Columba sp.), there were also some fragments of oyster (Ostrea edulis), and cockle (Cardium edule). The table indicates the species recovered in each phase.

Although quite a number of features were excavated relatively few bones were recovered so few that it is not possible to comment on their distribution over the site however they mostly seem to represent domestic debris, many were butchered.

Each bone was recorded and measured using the method of Jones et al (1981), further details are available from the author.

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STEPNEY HIGH STREET, TABLE

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PHASE 1

Postholes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	-
Ditches	19	5	-	-	-	-	1	13	38	3
Pits	36	41	4				4	43	128	12

Phase 1i

Ploughsoil	54	60	4	2	1	-	4	60	185	4
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Phase 1ii

Pits	2	3	-	-	-	-	1	2	8	2 cockle
Postholes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
Furrows	6	14	4	-	2	1	1	31	59	7

Total	117	123	12	2	3	1	11	154	451	28
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