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EXAMINATION OF A SAMPLE OF FIRED CLAY FROM FELTWELL, NORFOLK

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A sample (AM 640601) of fired clay was examined and analysed qualitatively using energy dispersive X-ray fluorescence analysis. There was no sign of vitrification of the sample and no elements apart from iron and calcium were detected in significant quantities. There was no evidence to suggest that the sample was associated with a technological process, although it could have formed part of a hearth or kiln which was only raised to moderate temperatures. The appearance of the sample is almost certainly due to the presence of various iron compounds.