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Summary

Two very small samples of Neolithic/ Bronze Age date were examined. One contained only one fragment of bone and the second was a small collection of burnt human bone.

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Two very small samples were examined. One of these contained only one fragment identifiable as bone (possibly human or animal it was not feasible to tell which). The other consisted of a very small collection of burnt human bone which was assessed as older than 12 years on the presence of two tooth roots from the permanent dentition. It was not possible to age this individual more closely. No further comments could be justified in either case. Details of the observations for each sample are attached.

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A small sample of burnt human bone. No evidence for more than one individual. Very little of the material was identifiable but it was noted that there were fragments of skull and two tooth roots present. Since the tooth roots came from the permanent dentition it was suggested that the individual was a sub-adult or an adult (older than 12 years). No further comment was possible. Weight: 300g

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A very few fragments, most of which were not bone. The fragment which was identifiable as burnt bone could have been of either human or animal origin. It was not possible to state which.

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