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Vehicle garages, Purvis Lines Larkhill

Interior single living accommodation Aldershot

Refurbished Mess Tidworth

Fascinating Anglo-Saxon finds discovered in Tidworth



Sunken feature of building at Tidworth being excavated

Recent archaeological investigations undertaken close to the VCP2 entrance at Tidworth Camp, where highway works are underway for the Army Basing Programme (ABP), have revealed important prehistoric and Anglo-Saxon remains.

Part of a prehistoric enclosure ditch containing Late Bronze Age (1100 to 700 BC) and Early Iron Age (700 to 400 BC) pottery was unearthed, along with a sunken-featured building dating from the Anglo-Saxon period, which contained Early to Mid-Saxon pottery (AD 410 to 850) and an iron knife.

Ruth Panes, Project Manager for Wessex Archaeology, explained: 'The building comprises a large rectangular pit and two substantial postholes cut into the natural chalk at either end. The holes would once have held timber posts to support a thatched roof. The walls are likely to have been made of wood and a planked floor may have covered the pit, forming an air space below the floor helping to keep the interior dry.'

Earlier excavations in Tidworth revealed a Mid-Saxon cemetery containing the remains of 57 men, women and children, located approximately 700m to the south-east. This was unearthed during ABP works for the Ashdown Estate. Ruth Panes said: 'This cemetery may have been where the inhabitants of the newly-discovered sunken-featured building at VCP2 were buried, on higher ground and in sight of their settlement close to the River Avon below.'

Last single living modular unit delivered to Tidworth Garrison



Tidworth Garrison took delivery of the final Junior Ranks' Single Living Accommodation (JRSLA) modular unit on Friday 22 March. Since 2016 around 2,400 bed spaces have been delivered for the ABP by Aspire Defence Capital Works (ADCW) and module manufacturer Rollalong.





ABP THREE MONTH FORECAST Planned Between April and June 2019



Office Interior, Bulford Feb 19

Bulford

Starting construction: Vehicle Garage Alteration

Continued construction: Physical & Recreational Training Centre (P&RTC) extension; Training Wing; new Regimental Headquarters (RHQ); Junior Ranks Single Living Accommodation – Senior Ranks Single Living Accommodation (JRSLA – SRSLA) alteration; Healthcare Centre; Workshop, Garages, Stores.

Completed: New JRSLA village: Officers Mess extension; Medical & Dental Centre alteration; Vehicle Garage alteration; new Brigade Headquarters; new Senior Non-Commissioned Officer (SNCO) Triple Mess; 2x extension of SNCO SLA: New SNCO SLA: 2x Reserve SLA.



Junior Ranks' Diner, Larkhill Feb 19

Larkhill

Starting construction: Education Building; Welfare Offices

Continued construction: P&RTC: Medical & Dental Centre; new Officers and Senior Ranks Messes; new SLA; new Junior Ranks Diner;



new RHQ & Battery offices; new garages; new Quartermaster's Stores; utility works; technical building, Purvis Lines; various car parks, various demolitions.

Completed: 4 JRSLA blocks.



Mess, Perham Down Feb 19

Perham Down

Starting construction: Technical storage; Logistic office; vehicle Garages.

Continued construction: New SNCO SLA; New SNCO Mess; P&RTC; Squadron Offices.

Completed: SNCO Mess extension.



SLA Concrete Slab Preparation, Tidworth Feb 19

Tidworth

Starting construction: Task offices; Technical storage; transit accommodation.

Continued construction: RHQ; Quartermaster's technical stores; stores alteration; Community Centre/Pre School Centre; AJAX training building.

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