

Monument Title BEACON HILL CAMP AT GRINGLEY ON THE HILL

Other Refs N797, T4619

Old SMR No 5110

Mon NMR 0

Mon NAR SK 79 SW 7

EH Sam No 18

Monument Types

Confidence %

Hillfort

25

Use Period: From	IA	Use Period: To	IA	Centuries
Use Date: From/To	-700	42	In use	IA

Form Type Earthwork

NGR 474150 390800 **Qualifier** Feature Centred

District Bassetlaw **Parish** Gringley on the Hill

Beacon Hill Camp is on the N side of a natural hill. It is elongated in plan, the long axis being E-W, depending largely for its strength on the escarpment of the hill. Some distance from the summit, on the N side, is an outer defence or terrace of more erratic curves following the natural line of the hill, its very irregularity enhancing its strategic importance... About 1.5 miles to the SW passes an ancient road from Lincoln, via Littleborough, to Doncaster. The site was occupied by Prince Rupert in 1644 when he routed the Parliamentarian army and succoured Newark Castle. (1)

A natural hill, possibly used as a beacon, and rendered defensive by scarping and the construction of a slight ditch; the artificial work is of a slight and inept nature and any occupation of the site must have been for a short period only. (4)

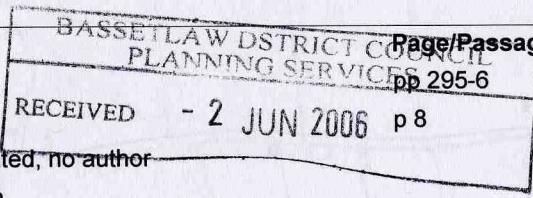
The outer earthwork on the E side has been cut by a fence erected around a reservoir built by the Severn Trent Water Board. This outer earthwork is marked on the schedule map but is not recorded on the plan in VCH. (5)

Morph: 138.1.1 mound. (8)

See L5132 for nearby round mound.

Sources

Author	Date	Title	Page/Passage	Other Refs	Source
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Thoroton Society	1939	TTS	p 8		2
DOE		AM7 - undated, no author			3
Colquhoun FD	1962	Pers Comm			4
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Associated SAM

Beacon Hill camp

EH County Number

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Element No	Element Title
L 5110	EARTHWORKS AT BEACON HILL, GRINGLEY ON THE HILL

