Monument Title BEACON HILL CAMP AT GRINGLEY ON THE HILL

Other Refs

N797, T4619

Old SMR No 5110

Mon NMR

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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

Parish

Bassetlaw

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			Constitution of the second sec	
Author	Date	Title	BASSETLAW DSTRICT COAGE/Passage Other Refs	Source
VCH	1906	Notts	op 295-6	1
Thoroton Society	1939	TTS	RECEIVED - 2 JUN 2006 p8	2
DOE		AM7 - unda	ated, no author	3
Colquhoun FD	1962	Pers Comm		4
Dodd A	1988	AM107		5
Doncaster Museum		Air photos	261	6
Cox CD	1994	Air photos	C94.28/5-13	7
RCHME		National Ma	apping Programme - Morph Data	8

Associated SAM

EH County Number

18

Beacon Hill camp

Element No **Element Title**

L 5110

EARTHWORKS AT BEACON HILL, GRINGLEY ON THE HILL

Monument Details Full report

Mon No M5110

Event No

Event Title

E 388 Historical report: Victoria County History of Nottinghamshire

E 1076 Survey, National Mapping Programme by RCHME

This Monument:

Data Held Details

Aerial Photograph CCL 259/0199/6

Aerial Photograph CCX 94.159/1

Aerial Photograph CCX 94.159/5

Land Use and Site Status Information

Geology Sand & Gravel

Site Visits Colquhoun FD, OS, 26/11/1962 (4); Dodd A, FMW, 10/07/1988 (5)

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