

# INVESTIGATION REPORT – Team 2



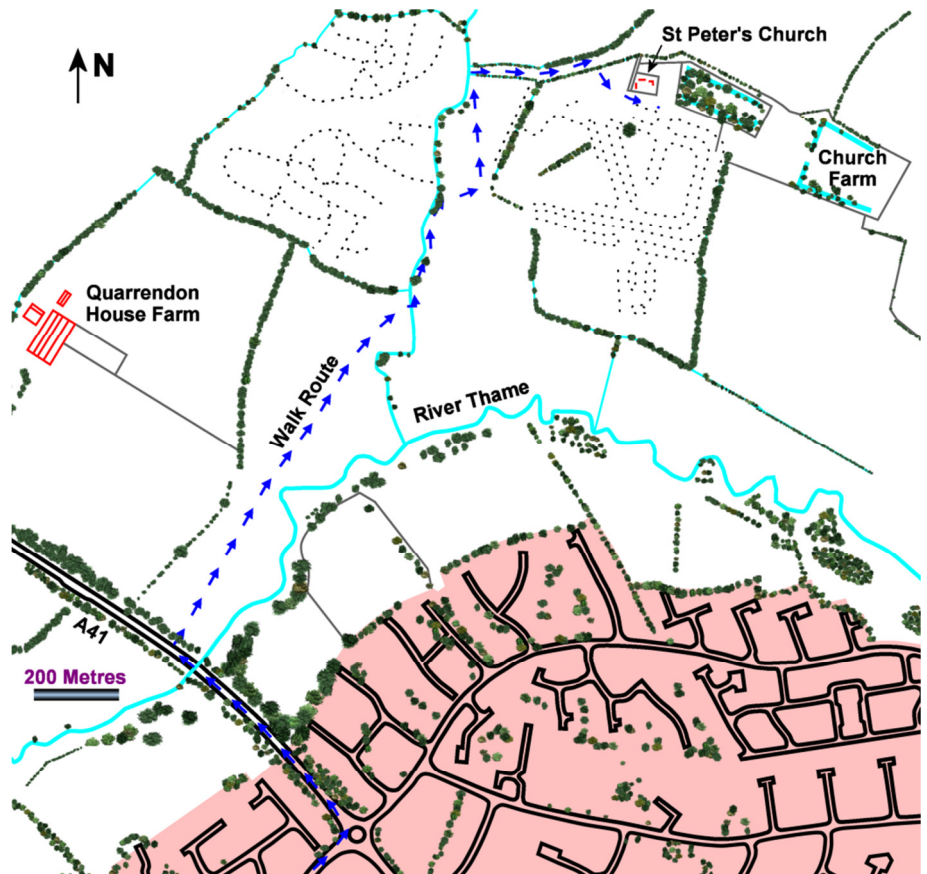
Investigation Site	Quarrendon
Investigation Date	21 <sup>st</sup> October 2011
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Team Members	Bill and Trevor

## Background

Back in 1988 the fields to the north of Quarrendon were nothing but a wasteland where rubbish was dumped and people walked their dogs. Late one evening two men, Richard and John, were walking across the area taking John's German Shepherd dog Sheba for a walk. At 10-15pm Sheba, who like all dogs was well ahead of its master, suddenly came racing back and went flying past the two men. She was obviously spooked and the two men turned to see what it was that had frightened her. Ahead they could see what at first looked like a horse but as they approached it they saw that it was only a partly a horse. The creature they saw had the upper torso of a man attached to the body of a horse, it was a centaur. Both men fled the area until they reached Meadowcroft Road when they looked back and saw the creature looking at them from a high vantage point. As they watched it turned and rapidly disappeared.

So what was the creature? Some believe it may have been the ghost of a soldier slumped around the neck of his horse as there are believed to be Civil War earthworks nearby. Others believe it was actually a centaur.

In the fields to the north of the modern village there used to be two mediæval villages, now only really seen as crop marks (see the plan below). There is also a ruined church and earthworks, some of which are said to date back to the English Civil War. Quarrendon (the original village and not the modern housing estate) is said to have been the birthplace of St Edburga and St Edith, the daughters of the Anglo Saxon King Penda, and their niece St Osyth. Legend says that St Osyth was beheaded at the holy well in Quarrendon by Danish invaders. Also in the fields can be found the extensive earthworks that formed part of Quarrendon Manor where Sir Henry Lee of Ditchley entertained Queen Elizabeth I for two days in 1592. Part of the site was an extensive garden with extensive earthworks which can still be seen south of the church (see the plan below). The village and its manor survived until the eighteenth century, when the Lord of the Manor, Henry Lee, went bankrupt.



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## Site Access

For this investigation we parked in Dickens Way and walked northeast along the A41 to access the footpath across the field towards St Peter's church. The walk route is shown by the → → on the plan on the previous page. We passed the edge of the field containing some of the mediæval village earthworks then walked across to the western edge of the garden earthworks. From there we walked round to St Peter's church which we explored before starting the first vigil.

## General

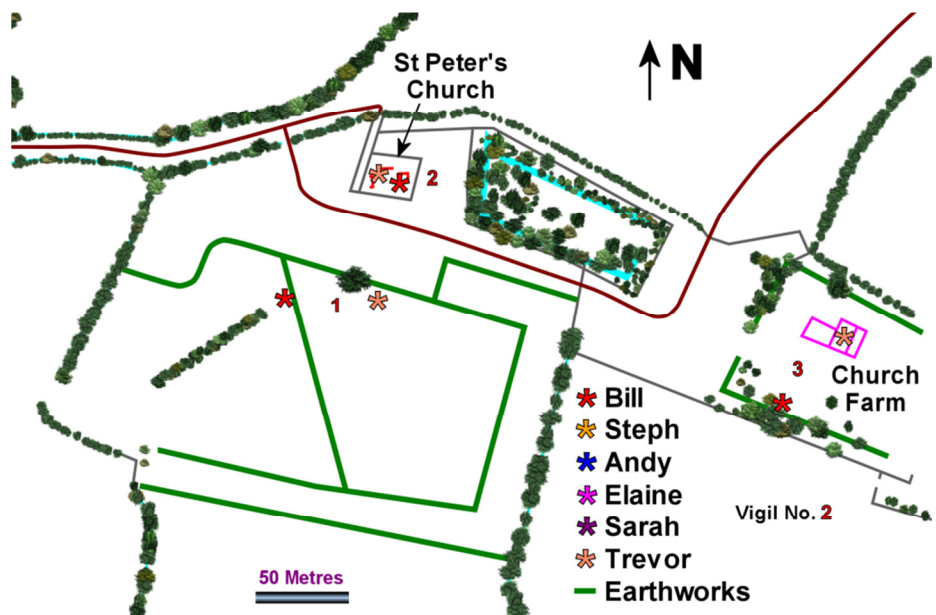
The sky was overcast with a slight breeze from the south by west. There was fairly constant traffic noise coming from the area between the south and southwest (the A41).

## Vigil 1: Earthworks South of Church – 21:55 to 22:30

For this vigil Bill sat near the northwest end of the diagonal channel on the southwest bank. Trevor sat to the southeast of the large tree which lies almost south of the church. For the positions of the team members see the plan below.

21:56 Elaine radios Bill and asks him to come over to the church (her vigil site). As Bill walked northwest along the bank he saw a very bright red light to the northeast (in the direction of the disused pumping station). It was beyond the field the teams were in and was moving right to left and coming closer.

When Bill reached Team 3's site Elaine explained that they had seen a strange red light moving around nearby and thought that someone may have been watching them from the hedgerow near the path to the northwest. Bill then went off to investigate the area and walked east-northeast into the field that lies to the northeast of the church but he could not see anything.



22:00 Trevor sets up K-II meter and DVR.

22:01 Trevor takes a temperature reading of +10.2°C.

22:05 Trevor notes the breeze was swirling, not just coming from one direction where he was sat.

22:08 Trevor notes a sound of cracking twigs coming from Bills direction. (**Bill's Note:** this may well have been the sound of me returning to my chair.)

22:10 Bill returns to his vigil site.

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- 22:11 A bright red light is seen by Bill to the north by west which kept fading in and out. The light was seen through the hedgerow to the northwest of the site and appeared to be level with the distant horizon and some way off. It was very much like the light he had seen earlier.
- 22:13 The red light is again seen by Bill in the same area as 22:11 but lower down (closer?) and moving left to right. It was shining through the hedgerow and Bill had the impression it was still some way off.
- 22:17 Bill turned his EMF meter on and returned it to his pocket where it remained for the rest of the investigation.
- 22:18 Bill measures the temperature at +7°C on the grass using his digital infrared thermometer and +13.3°C with a pressure of 1007.8mb on his compass/thermometer. The latter is attached to his coat so it does not record the ambient temperature but will show any local changes in temperature.
- 22:22 Bill starts a calling-out session asking any spirits present to give him some sign that they are there (whisper in his ear, poke him, make a light etc.).
- 22:24 Bill again sees a bright red light, this time through the hedgerow to the northwest.
- 22:27 Bill again sees a bright red light, this time just to the right of the 22:24 sighting and moving to the right.
- 22:30 The red light is again seen by Bill. This time it was just beyond the church, again the other side of the hedgerow. It was so bright it lit up the hedgerow. The light moved west and eventually passed the gateway north of Bill's position revealing that it was a red spotlight on a truck.

### Pre-Vigil

22:40 Bill and Trevor both noted how light it was, even though it was very overcast.

### Vigil 2: St Peter's Church – 22:43 to 23:15

For this vigil Bill sat at the east end of the chancel whilst Trevor sat in the northwest corner of the nave at the west end of the surviving part of the north wall. Bill sat facing the southwest corner of the nave. For the positions of the team members see the plan on the preceding page. The wind in the area was a lot stronger.

- 22:46 Bill measures the temperature at +7 to +7.5°C on the grass using his digital infrared thermometer and +13.5°C with a pressure of 1007.8mb on his compass/thermometer.
- Trevor sets up K-II meter and DVR.
- 22:50 Trevor takes a temperature reading of +10.3°C.
- 23:01 Trevor notes the sound of two heavy footfalls/thuds in Bills direction. (**Bill's Note:** At the time I was sitting in my chair and not moving so it wasn't me).
- 23:02 Whilst facing the southwest corner of the nave Bill saw a black line in the top right of his field of vision. It was as if something had shot up rapidly from the ground at an angle of 55°. The line was very long and went up beyond his field of vision. It was very narrow and seemed to be black in the centre with lighter areas either side.

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- 23:04 Bill measures the temperature at +6.5 to +7°C on the grass using his digital infrared thermometer and +11.4°C with a pressure of 1007.8mb on his compass/thermometer.
- 23:05 Trevor notes the wind seems to be blowing from left to right, rather than swirling.
- 23:07 Two small, bright patches of light are seen by Bill on the fallen stones to the south-southwest.
- 23:12 Bill measures the temperature at +6.5 to +7°C on the grass using his digital infrared thermometer and +11.4°C with a pressure of 1007.6mb on his compass/thermometer.
- Bill notes that voices can be heard coming from the sports centre to the south-southwest. These had been heard for some time.
- 23:14 Bill hears a noise behind him like the swishing of material. At the time the material bag for his chair was over the back of the chair and it is possible that it may have blown in the wind. He had not heard any noise from it during the preceding 30 minutes as it was shielded from the wind by the back of the chair and Bill.

### Vigil 3: Church Farm – 23:26 to 00:00

For this vigil Bill sat in the trees by the south moat facing north by east whilst Trevor sat in the concrete foundations of the farm. For the positions of the team members see the plan on page 2.

- 23:31 Trevor sets up K-II meter and DVR
- 23:33 Bill measures the temperature at +6.5 to +7°C on the grass using his digital infrared thermometer and +12.3°C with a pressure of 1007.4mb on his compass/thermometer.
- 23:34 Bill starts a calling-out session using his Electrosmog meter asking any spirit to change the tone of the sound or to activate any of the lights on the meter (higher EMF).
- 23:35 Trevor notes the wind is again swirling and coming from no main direction.
- 23:40 A spot of light is seen by Bill on the grass to his right (to the southeast). It was about 8 metres away.
- 23:44 Bill ends his calling-out session but leaves the Electrosmog meter on.
- 23:45 Trevor notes the sound of footsteps ahead in the copse area, not heavy.
- 23:46 Trevor notes movement of a certain tree when no breeze present.
- 23:47 The temperature is measured by Bill at +7 to +7.5°C on the grass using his digital infrared thermometer and +12.1°C with a pressure of 1007.1mb on his compass/thermometer.
- 23:50 Trevor notes temperature reading of +9.8°C.
- 23:51 A bright flash is seen by Bill on a tree on the edge of the ditch to the north by west.
- 23:57 The temperature is measured by Bill at +7.5 to +8°C on the grass using his digital infrared thermometer and +12.9°C with a pressure of 1007.3mb on his compass/thermometer.
- 23:58 Bill turns his Electrosmog meter off, at no time had the lights moved or the tone (background hiss) changed.

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### Post-Vigil

Both Bill and Trevor were very curious about the concrete area Trevor had found, as it was very clean, slightly overgrown, no sign of a building, and the square area in front of the concreted area had a square concrete edge, grass in the centre, but bevelled edges. On the way back both Bill and Trevor observed large pieces of brickworks buried, some even had plasterwork on them. Later investigation revealed that this was the site of Church Farm, a 17<sup>th</sup> century house.

### Post-Investigation

During the investigation Bills EMF meter had not sounded (level risen above 10mG) but he did find that the battery was almost flat by the end of the investigation.

### Equipment List

Bill            Digital Camera: Samsung PL81  
                  EMF Detector: Hutech  
                  Digital Infrared Thermometer: CHY 110  
                  Electrosmog Meter: Cornet ED-7  
                  Digital Compass/Altimeter/Thermometer: WS110  
                  Notepad, pen, torch and watch

Trevor        Digital Camera: Kodak Easyshare C713  
                  Digital Voice Recorder: Olympus VN-3500PC  
                  EMF Detector: Lutron 822A  
                  EMF Meter: K-II  
                  Digital Compass/Altimeter/Thermometer: WS110  
                  Notepad, pen, torch and watch