

Broads Authority

Cultural Heritage Survey Sheet

WW II Pill Box, Wayford Bridge & spigot mortar emplacement (1)



Cultural Heritage ID No: -	Inspection date(s): - Ben Hogg & Prue Smith 26/04/11	Location, Address and Grid Ref: - south of Wayford Bridge,	
Listed Grade: - (N/L, N/PL) Local list	Fragility: - 2 (1 – 3)	Vulnerability: - 2 (1 – 3)	
Photographs: - yes		BAR Risk Grade: - (A – F)	E
Description/Context: - World War Two pill box and spigot mortar emplacement. Pill box Type 22, hexagonal in plan. Not inspected internally, but typically these had walls approximately 0.3m thick and 1.8m long, each wall had a firing loophole, except that furthest from the expected direction of attack which had an entrance, sometimes protected by a blast wall. Internally there is usually a 'Y' shaped or cruciform wall to deflect ricocheting fire within the box. Sited on a slight bend on the River Ant, downstream of Wayford Bridge on south bank.			
Significance: - One of a number of WWII military defences in the area, which were designed to protect the county from invasion by river.			
Threat posed: - No immediate threat, but gradual decay if not regularly maintained. Possible threat of vandalism.			
Conclusion / Recommendation: - Immediate: • Medium term • Long term:			