

WWII bomb discovered in Essex

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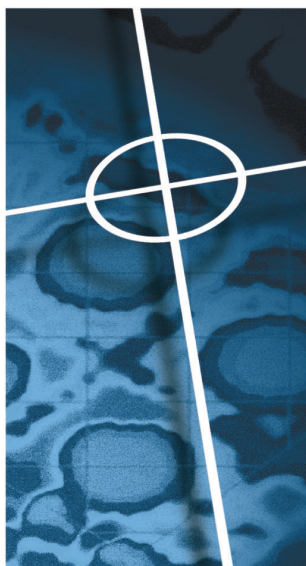
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An unexploded 500kg WWII bomb (UXB) was discovered on the 8th March 2010 at Bowers Marsh in Essex by Zetica EOC operatives.

A Zetica desk study concluded that there was a high risk of UXB on the site due to bombing raids by the Luftwaffe on strategic targets on the Thames Estuary. A subsequent detailed geophysical survey of the site identified a number of possible targets which could be UXB and in order to mitigate the risk to future ground works these were investigated further.

A 1.5km cordon was established around the bomb which was disposed of in-situ by members of the Royal Logistics Corps (RLC).


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500kg WWII UXB at Bowers Marsh



Bowers Marsh UXB being destroyed in situ

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