

# ANCIENT IFIELD



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The abandoned pond isn't the only feature of antiquity in Hyde Hill Woods. There are multiple field boundaries to be seen, most likely dating from the later medieval period, though many still show as fields on the tithe map of 1841. One boundary, that shown above left, is unusual in that it isn't a narrow bank like the others. Instead, land to the south of the boundary retains the height of the bank. This particular boundary is roughly 500 metres long and can be traced on both Lidar scans and in a tree line as far as Puffin Road in Ifield West, though the bank doesn't exist beyond Birkdale Drive.

Also to be found are 3 large pits or quarries. These are on a relatively narrow seam of sandstone so would have been dug for either building materials or for iron ore. There is also a small concentration of minepits.

Please be aware that Hyde Hill Woods is private land.



**QUARRY OR PIT**



**MINEPITS**

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