

Summary

An early medieval **cemetery**, indicated by a number of burials found in the Saxonbury **House** area since 1892. Eleven Anglo-Saxon graves with grave goods were found at this time during excavations for the **garden wall** of Saxonbury House, Watt's **Avenue**, Rochester. Nineteen pagan Anglo-Saxon burials were found during excavations opposite St. Margaret's **Churchyard** in 1895-6. Four further burials were found on Roebuck **Road** in 1899-190 and three burials found in June 1979 on St. Margaret's Street are also thought to be part of the same cemetery.

The site lies on top of the northern end of a ridge, overlooking the River Medway, OD between 25-40m.

Grid Reference:	TQ 7409 6798
Map Sheet:	TQ76NW
Parish:	ROCHESTER & CHATHAM, MEDWAY, KENT

Monument Types

- INHUMATION CEMETERY** (Early Medieval or Anglo-Saxon - 410 AD to 1065 AD)

Full description

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[A' TQ 7402 6795] Anglo-Saxon Remains found A.D. 1892 [T.I.] (1) [A'] Eleven Anglo-Saxon graves lying east-west containing skeletons and/or grave goods were found during excavations for the **garden wall** of Saxonbury **House**, Watt's **Avenue**, Rochester, (2) in 1892 (3). [B' - TQ 7405 6805] Nineteen pagan Anglo-Saxon burials lying east-west were found during excavations for Dr. Dartnall's new house opposite St. Margaret's **Churchyard** in 1895-6. (3) [C' - TQ 7419 6801] One grave lying east-west was found 1899-1900 in the back garden of 16, Roebuck **Road**, and three graves, lying north-south, in the back garden of No.14 (4). (2-4) No further information: finds in Rochester **Museum**. (5) A further three burials, probably from this **cemetery**, were found in June 1979 at 61 St. Margaret's Street.