

1976/33. Investigation of gravel deposits near Evandale

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Mr D.A. Lindsay requested an investigation of gravel deposits on his property 'Barbrook' near Evandale [EQ207018]. The property was examined to assess whether economic quantities of gravel were present.

The property is situated on Tertiary sediments of the Launceston basin. Some basaltic rubble occurs on the surface but no basalt crops out. Gravel deposits composed largely of basaltic pebbles in a decomposed basaltic matrix skirt the property (fig. 1) but do not constitute a useful material. The only extractable commodities on the property could be for use as brick making materials. These would have to be assessed by drilling or trenching. The owner could perform some exploratory work and submit samples of the material to brick, tile and pipe makers in Launceston, although these companies are not currently seeking new supplies.

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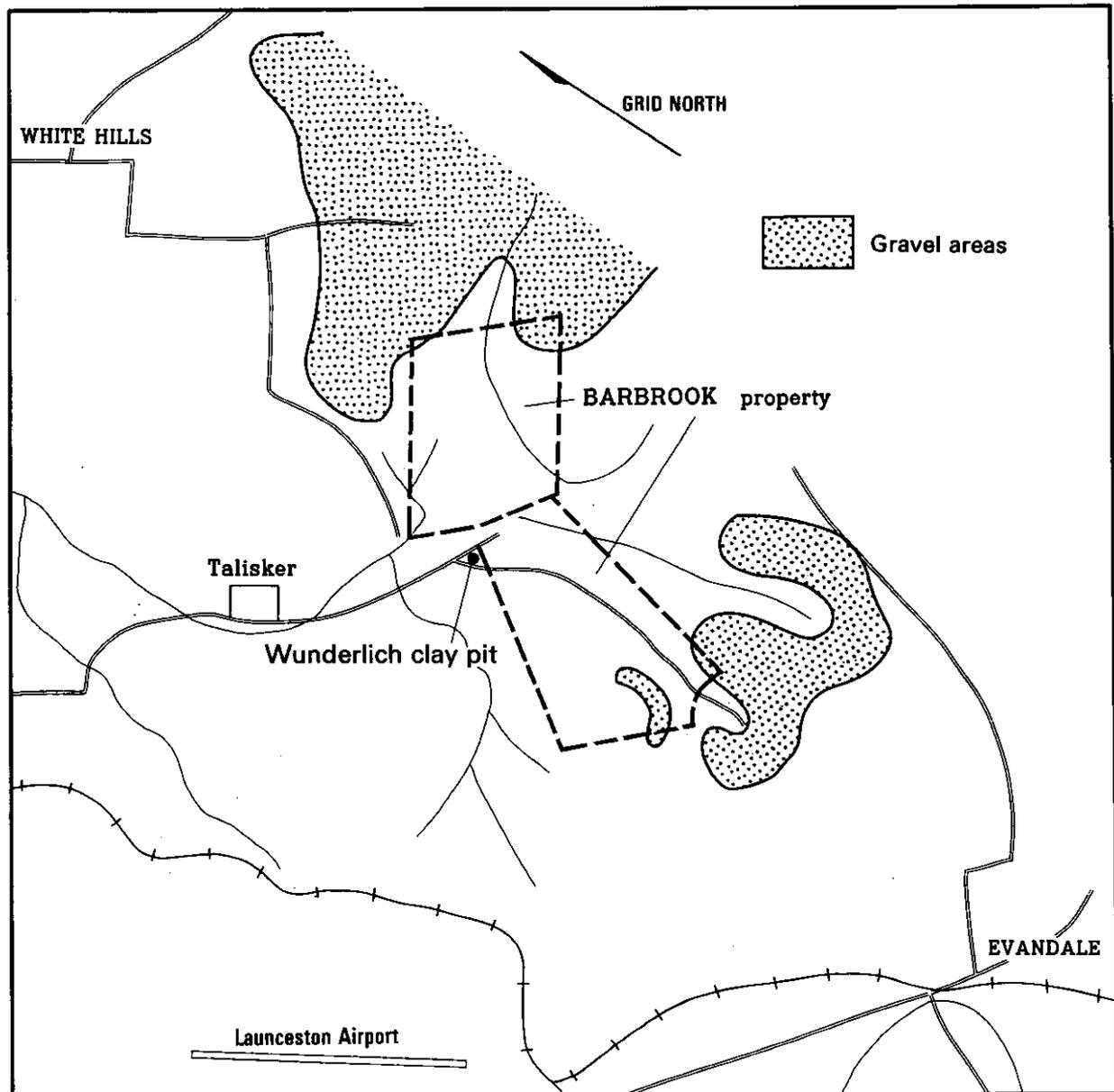


Figure 1. Location of gravel deposits.