



Heritage Lincolnshire Spring Newsletter 2021

Welcome by Greg Pickup, CEO

They say that April showers bring May flowers, and whilst the past year has brought more than enough dark clouds to last us a lifetime, at Heritage Lincolnshire we're excited to be seeing signs of new growth. As 2021 progresses and a sense of cautious optimism returns, we have a host of new projects and initiatives that we're delighted to share with our members and supporters. The Old King's Head in Kirton is looking absolutely stunning and as soon as we can get the team in place to give our guests a warm Lincolnshire welcome, we'll be opening our doors to the public. Work is also progressing well at our next building preservation project to breathe new life into the incredible Greyfriars in Lincoln and transform this into a top-drawer attraction. We've been working closely with local authorities across the county on ambitious plans to help "level-up" Lincolnshire's towns and have exciting plans to rejuvenate the town centres of Boston, Skegness and Mablethorpe that we'll be announcing soon.

On a personal level, I continue to be awestruck by the enormous range, and outstanding quality of Lincolnshire's heritage. It has been our privilege to recently bring to light phenomenal evidence of Iron Age settlements uncovered by our archaeologists within APS on a number of sites in the county. Simultaneously at the other end of the scale, we've been working on plans to engage the public with the classic 20th century

seaside charm of our coastal towns as we plan to return Skegness and Mablethorpe town centres to their

former glory. We're making inroads across the county; working with North East Lincolnshire to empower a whole range of groups to champion the many-faceted heritage of this part of the county, whilst at the same time lining up a number of exciting future building-preservation projects that we may in future lead on ourselves. To me, "levelling up" Lincolnshire towns goes hand-in-hand with "levelling up" our heritage; for too long Lincolnshire's amazing heritage has been overlooked. With the wealth of funding now available to help the country rebound from the effects of the pandemic, investment in Lincolnshire's heritage must be top of the priority list! Fortunately, we are not alone in recognising this; government and other agencies are acknowledging that there will be no meaningful recovery if we aren't able to support our struggling historic high streets and town-centres. I'm delighted that Heritage Lincolnshire is one of the leading voices speaking up for this within the county and that we have the continued support of you, our members and supporters, in making the case for putting heritage at the heart of our future.

As always, with thanks,



Funding updates

Town Deals

Following the Chancellor's recent budget announcements about Town Deal funding, Lincolnshire has come off very well indeed in the Towns Fund allocations, receiving four Town Deals for towns in the Lincolnshire County Council area as well as two in the north of the county (Scunthorpe and Grimsby).

Heritage Lincolnshire are proud to announce that we have worked extremely hard and managed to find a way into all four of the county council area bids submitted to government in December; Lincoln, Boston, Skegness and Mablethorpe. We are delighted, and incredibly proud of the work of our team, that all four bids on which we led, plus three more that we supported intensively, were all marked "green" and allocated funding within these schemes. Overall this is a fantastic result for heritage in Lincolnshire and we cannot wait to start sharing details with you in the upcoming months.

Cultural Recovery Fund

Heritage Lincolnshire are proud to announce that we have been successful in receiving a second round of Cultural Recovery Fund to continue supporting the recovery of the county's heritage following the impacts of Coronavirus. The funding comes from the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS).

The National Lottery Heritage Fund and Historic England have allocated £44 million to historic sites across England and Heritage Lincolnshire are one of those that will benefit from this funding alongside over 470 other heritage organisations.

Greg Pickup, CEO of Heritage Lincolnshire, says 'At Heritage Lincolnshire we can't wait to show off Lincolnshire's incredible heritage in time for a summer of recovery and reopening, thanks to £147,400 funding from the government's Culture Recovery Fund! This gives us a real sense of optimism for the future.'

To find out more about the funding please go to <https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/news/over-470-heritage-organisations-receive-culture-recovery-fund-lifeline>



OKH Update

We are now nearer than ever to completion of The Old King's Head restoration and it is a real transformation! We will be announcing the official opening date shortly and you can already book in online to stay over night with us at <https://theoldkingshead.com/>



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Project Updates

The Local Listing Project

A new project is underway to help protect Lincolnshire's local heritage and Heritage Lincolnshire is delivering it!

Lincolnshire has been chosen to take part in a national scheme to help better understand and enhance existing records of our locally important buildings, monuments and places. Funded by the Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government (MHCLG), the local heritage list campaign will be rolled out in all 10 authorities in Greater Lincolnshire. Heritage Lincolnshire now has a dedicated officer in post to drive and deliver the project over the next 12 months.

This is such an important project – enabling us to have a record of all the locally important heritage assets across Lincolnshire. It is capturing information about buildings, structures, monuments, sites, places, areas or landscapes which residents think are important, but which don't have listed status and legal protection. It might be a village pump, or an old village smithy or unique bridge across a local beck. Features of local interest which would never qualify as having a national value. "

Are you interested in your local heritage and interested in being trained to support the project? If so please contact us at the email below.

<https://www.heritagelincs.org/projects/local-heritage-list-campaign>



Boston Townscape Heritage Project

The Boston TH project continues to press ahead, making big changes to the heart of Boston. The first completed Project is 17 Market Place, with two more to closely follow. We are really excited by the impact it is having, and there is plenty more to come over the next two years.

<https://www.heritagelincs.org/projects/boston-townscape-heritage-project-town-regeneration>



31 Grantham House, Castlegate

Significantly remodelled in both the 1570s and the 1730s. Formerly called Hall Place, after the family who occupied the house in the sixteenth century. Home to Arthur Hall who first translated the Iliad into English. The property was gifted to the National Trust in the 1940s by the Sedgwick sisters.

Year/Decade Built	c1350
Visual Impact	96
Listed Status (Grade I)	80
Distance to Market Cross	330m
Game Points	224

Grantham Trump Cards

Grantham has a heritage to be proud of, and a history which has left a mark. The Grantham High Street Heritage Action Zone (HAZ) Project is a £1.25Million programme funded by Historic England and South Kesteven District Council, which will work to highlight, celebrate, and regenerate Grantham's historic town centre. As part of the project, it aims to engage local people and to inform them about the history of their town.

We have been busy working with SKDC and the Grantham Civic Society to create the Grantham Trump Cards! The cards will showcase 62 of our town's famous buildings and landmarks and are now available to pre-order for £4.99 + P&P from our website. Deliveries will commence from the 1st June but we only have limited stock so make sure you get yours ordered now from

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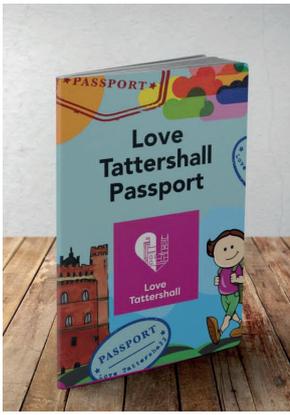
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Love Tattershall Passport

The National Lottery Heritage Fund awarded a grant to Tattershall Church to look at ways to improve the visitor experience within Tattershall. Working with major partners, including the National Trust, local schools and businesses and following a consultation with visitors and local people the group was formed.

With mentoring from Heritage Lincolnshire they have completed a tourism plan for the future of the community working together and have developed The Love Tattershall Passport which is now available to download during your visit to Tattershall. This gives visitors a chance to really discover what is around the village.

Enjoy exploring and finding out about some of Tattershall's historic places that have a fascinating story to tell, local attractions and what you can discover at each and you can even benefit from great offers from our local businesses. With every download and purchase of the passport you are supporting the local businesses and being able to continue to

develop the Love Tattershall Passport for many more visitors to enjoy!

Download yours from <https://www.lovetattershall.co.uk/>

Community Team

The Community Heritage Team has been hard at work developing a new Educational Membership Scheme for Lincolnshire schools. Focusing on KS1 – KS3 (that's primary school and Years 7 – 9 at secondary school), the membership scheme has three different subscription levels and will offer a wealth of interactive class-based workshops for pupils, led by our community archaeologists. We are close to launching this scheme alongside a revamped education page on our website. Once this work is complete, we'll begin on stage two, a more substantial revised offer for work experience, placements and lifelong learning for GCSE students and above. We aim to launch this resource in Spring 2022.

We continue to develop and shape our ideas for a new large-scale community engagement heritage project, evolving from the legacy of Layers of History. This will involve talking to wide range of potential partners who are interested in our ideas and wish to get involved to help shape them further. As things progress, we'll bring you further project updates. Watch this space ...



Welcome to our new trainees

On Monday 19th April we welcomed two new Historic Environmental Skill Trainees to the team for six month traineeships and they have already been getting stuck into finding out about the Trust.

The Heritage Skills programme is funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund and has offered hands on training in skills needed to maintain and protect the historic environment in Lincolnshire and the wider East Midlands region. Katherine will be joining us as Heritage Conservation Trainee and Kate as our Digital Heritage Engagement Trainee! Welcome to the team both and we hope you enjoy your time with us!



Lincolnshire Explorer Trail

The first Explorer Trail has now been launched and will allow family groups to explore Sleaford in a new way and safely post Covid. It is priced at £7.99 and gives you a great time around the town, exploring and discovering things you may not normally find!

Purchase your copy online to give it a go: <https://www.heritagelincnshire.org/explore-with-us/explorer-trails>

All Heritage Lincolnshire members will receive a trail as part of their membership each year.

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Heritage Open Days Update

It's that time of year again where things are really beginning to come together for the annual Lincolnshire Heritage Open Days Festival. Since we had confirmation of the festival going ahead near the beginning of the year, the team here at Heritage Lincolnshire and the LHODs Steering Group have been working hard to get things co-ordinated, so we can put another brilliant programme on for 2021.

Entries have just closed for registration for the booklet, and we are delighted to say that this year's festival should see between 80-100 events taking place, mostly in person. The organisers from across the county have been absolutely fantastic and have really met this year's theme of 'Voices of Lincolnshire: Stories Unheard' with a great amount of zeal and enthusiasm.

As with everything, we are being cautious about saying too much about the events taking place in case things do change, but as a tantalising sneak-peek, look out for new gems such as an evening of classical chamber music in an unspoilt candlelit 18th Century village church and a medieval heritage festival, complete with knights and a hog roast.

We still have a few digital events though, so look out ones such as an extra special Zoom session with the 'Reimagining Lincolnshire' project team of Lincoln University, who will be telling you all about some of their most fascinating finds from this project that unearthed some incredible stories from the county's past.

To support our fellow organisers and heritage organisations, we have also tried something a little different to help them develop for a post-COVID world. We are currently part way through a series of training and support sessions which have been designed to help organisers with both their HODs events, but also equip them with tools which can help their sites flourish. So far, we have covered COVID-19 Risk Assessment and Management and Hosting a Digital Event, and still to come are Promoting Your Event and Using HODs in Funding Bids.

Our aim this year is to bring some much-needed cheer and excitement to 2021 after a year of uncertainty, and we cannot wait for the next milestone, which will be our brilliant brochure launch, later on this year. It will be available to pre-order around July, or can be collected from various locations across Lincolnshire.

Finally, I'd like to end this article on a celebratory note. Although it is always sad to lose a member of the team, we would like to take this opportunity to recognise and celebrate a volunteer who has been instrumental in the success of the Lincolnshire Heritage Open Days Festival, who is now taking a well-earned retirement from their post. Ray has been the chief volunteer working on the project for a number of years and put thousands of hours' worth of time and effort into the smooth administration of the festival. Now that he has stepped back, we would like to wish him the very best, and will be marking the occasion with a small memento of his time with the organisation.



APS Update

In this issue, Archaeological Project Services are showcasing two of their current excavations in Lincolnshire. Both telling us a story of life before the Romans.

Starting with an interesting site which lies on the outskirts of Sleaford.....

APS are currently excavating a significant Iron Age complex. The site centres on a rectangular enclosure, although we only have three sides exposed, with the remains of a central roundhouse. Adjacent to this are a series of smaller rectangular enclosures which may represent paddocks. Pottery recovered from the site suggests a date in the Middle Iron Age (450-100 BC).



Aerial view of the site – enclosures can be made out in both of the stripped areas.



Vertical view of the main settlement enclosure – the roundhouse remains can be seen in the upper central part of the photograph.

There are several known Middle Iron Age enclosures scattered around Sleaford, but this is the first to be excavated in its (almost) entirety. The number is interesting,

particularly as they virtually disappeared prior to the Iron Age tribal centre and an important mint, centred on Old Place was established. Hopefully, we will be able to uncover some clues as to why this happened and what made Sleaford so important as a centre prior to the Roman invasion.

As Sleaford was becoming this regional centre of the *Coritani* (the local Iron Age tribe) our second site was in the process of coming into being. Located a few miles south of Lincoln, this site is also a complete settlement along with a central roundhouse and clues to the day-to-day activities of its inhabitants.



All four sides of the enclosure are visible with the round(ish) house just below the centre of the photograph

The evidence points to this being an agricultural settlement, perhaps specialising in crop production as a rather nice beehive quern was discovered only a few weeks ago. One interesting feature emerging from this site, as well as the Sleaford one, is that both were very short-lived settlements. In the case of this example, it was replaced by a larger settlement enclosure that we will be excavating in the near future and has multiple enclosures superimposed on each other which may indicate it was in use over a longer period of time.

The aerial views of both sites may not be to everyone's taste but we have included them here to highlight our use of drones in archaeology with Jonathon Smith who has become our official licenced pilot. We hope to expand our use of drones to assist with all our archaeology projects as well as building recording.

Finally, both of these sites have been a wonderful introduction to field archaeology for our trainees, both from the Historic Environment Skills <https://www.heritagelincolnshire.org/learn-with-us/historic-environment-skills> and our own trainee recruits as they can see the whole site unfolding before their eyes.

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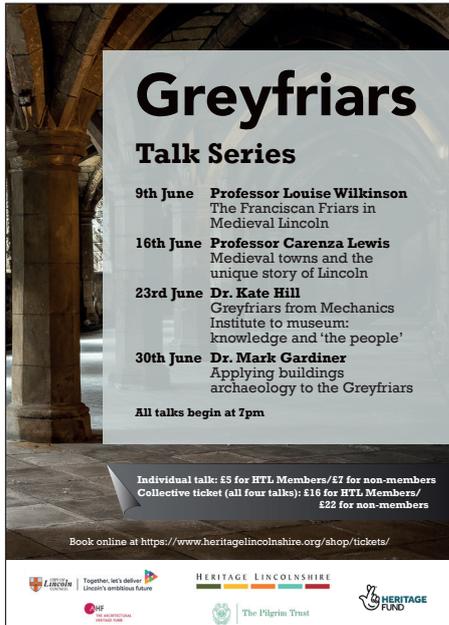
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Greyfriars
Talk Series

9th June **Professor Louise Wilkinson**
The Franciscan Friars in Medieval Lincoln

16th June **Professor Carenza Lewis**
Medieval towns and the unique story of Lincoln

23rd June **Dr. Kate Hill**
Greyfriars from Mechanics Institute to museum: knowledge and 'the people'

30th June **Dr. Mark Gardiner**
Applying buildings archaeology to the Greyfriars

All talks begin at 7pm

Individual talk: £5 for HTL Members/£7 for non-members
Collective ticket (all four talks): £16 for HTL Members/£22 for non-members

Book online at <https://www.heritagelincolnshire.org/shop/tickets/>

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Greyfriars Talk Series

As part of our recent Buildings Preservation Trust project, Greyfriars in Lincoln, we have launched a new talk series that will be delivered throughout June by local historians and experts. Make sure you do not miss out as these talks are going to be extremely interesting and will tell you lots more about the history of this magnificent building!

Exhibition

Build for the Future; East Midlands will be back on 16th September at the Lincolnshire Showground and our aim is to make this the largest event for the Construction, Property, Heritage and Sustainability industry for the area. If you know anyone that works within these industries, please let them know about the event!

For more information please go to <https://website.heritagelincolnshire.org/exhibition> or contact hannah.thompson@heritagelincolnshire.org



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BUILD FOR THE FUTURE: EAST MIDLANDS

CONSTRUCTION, HERITAGE, PROPERTY, TRADE & SUSTAINABILITY **Exhibition**

<https://www.heritagelincolnshire.org/exhibition>

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Thursday 16th September 2021, 10am - 3pm

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HTL Volunteering

Our Lead Volunteer, Jackie Goodall, continues to do a superb job of sending out regular communications to volunteers during this difficult time whilst we are not able to meet in person. We are hopeful that as restrictions gradually ease, there may be a return to the office for both staff and volunteers later this year...

In January, we sent out our Skills Audit to all Layers of History volunteers, which asked several questions about what they enjoyed about the project, what volunteering opportunities they would like offered and who, of those Layers volunteers, wished to continue to volunteer for HTL. Thank you to everyone who completed this; we've had some excellent feedback (which we are still analysing!), and this will help us learn from the experience of the volunteers involved in Layers and build on this project legacy. We will be extending the Skills Survey Audit out to all our other regular volunteers, so keep an eye out for it!

Two of our volunteers, Dave Hagan and Jackie Goodall were nominated in January for the Heritage Alliance 'Heritage Hero Awards'.

Competition was extremely fierce this year, due to the extensive work of volunteers supporting the heritage sector nationally as a result of the pandemic, but we were extremely pleased to learn that Dave Hagan's work with the Holbeach ROC was Highly Commended as part of the award ceremony.

Volunteering opportunities are once again increasing with our guiding being advertised for the Old Kings Head, a research team forming for Greyfriars and support developing education resources for the Community Heritage Team.

Do get in touch if you would like to discuss any of these opportunities, or to be added onto our wonderful volunteer supporters' group – volunteering@heritagelincolnshire.org.



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Membership

If you are Heritage Lincolnshire member you get a special quarterly newsletter that also includes puzzles and things to do. We hope you enjoy giving them a go and thank you again for being one of our valuable members!

There are many benefits for becoming a Heritage Lincolnshire member, including discounts at our events and online talk programme, a Lincolnshire Explorer Trail, a bag of seeds to plant and much more.

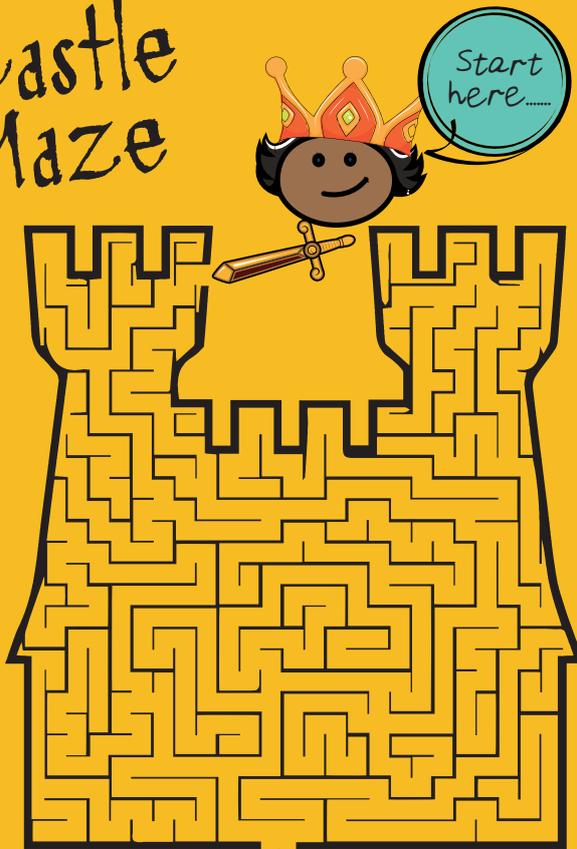
Membership starts from just £30 a year and we really hope you will join us and support the Trust during these times to ensure that we can continue to carry out our charitable mission across the county.

For more information please go to www.heritagelincs.org.



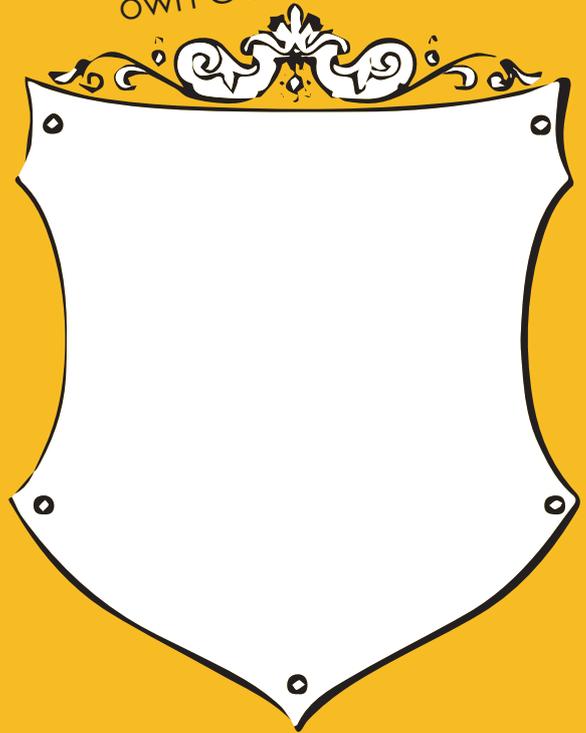
Puzzles

Castle Maze



Coat-of-Arms

Draw and colour it in your own Coat-of-Arms!



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GRASS	TULIPS
RAIN	UMBRELLA

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BUG TANGLE

Each of these children have a favourite bug. Follow the tangled lines to find out which bug each child likes!





Ways to continue supporting us.....



Volunteer

2020 has been another great year for Heritage Lincolnshire volunteers. Volunteering is a fantastic way to gain new skills, knowledge and friends! Why not join the team?

www.heritagelincs.org/volunteer



Make a Donation

Would you like to support us in saving The Old King's Head or help provide opportunities for young people? Be part of our story through regular giving or a one-off gift.

www.heritagelincs.org/donate

Leave a legacy

Remembering Heritage Lincolnshire in your Will helps to secure the future of our work in the county, preserving and protecting our wonderful buildings and landscapes for the next generation.

www.heritagelincs.org/legacy



Why not join as a member?

Put simply, our charity flourishes with your support. Please consider joining our membership scheme and benefit from early booking opportunities, discounts and exclusive events.

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