

HERITAGE LINCOLNSHIRE



# Heritage Lincolnshire

Annual Report 2018





# Welcome

Well what an exciting year 2018 turned out to be!

We introduced our new Business Plan, and the first year has far exceeded our expectations.

The charity continues to benefit from a hard working and highly-skilled team. Combined with the support of our dedicated volunteers this has been an incredible match. Through working together, our focus has truly been on our rich heritage, bringing investment into Lincolnshire for the benefit of people living and working throughout the County.

Moving forward in 2019, we have even more exciting plans ahead.

Work starts on **The Old Kings Head** in Kirton, Boston, which sees a rare example of a late medieval coaching inn being restored ready to be re-opened in 2020 as a Café, B&B and Micro Brewery. We have been steering ahead with our funded programme, **Layers of History** giving more people the opportunity to discover, understand and investigate Lincolnshire's historic landscape, and we celebrate the 25th year of our **Heritage Open Days**, which will see the festival run over ten days for the first time ever. Alongside so much more!

We enjoy working with all of our partners and community groups and this support and collaboration is very much appreciated. As 2019 progresses there will be more opportunities for people to get involved.

If you are not a Member yet, then do not forget to **sign up** where you will receive a number of great benefits as well as knowing you are helping us to support our heritage; the best gift of all for our future generations.

Thank you and here is to a great year ahead!

**Liz Bates, CEO**



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## 2019 Highlights – Key Dates for your diary

- 6 April** - Dragon Egg Hunt Bolingbroke Castle
- 18 May – 2 June** - The 15<sup>th</sup> Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival
- 8 June** - Heritage Lincolnshire's Conference (Further details announced shortly)
- 19 – 20 June** - Lincolnshire Show (Pick up your Heritage Open Day's brochure)
- 27 – 28 July** - Heckington Show
- 13 – 22 September** - Lincolnshire Heritage Open Days
- 28 September – 27 October** - South Lincolnshire Walking Festival
- 26 October** - Temple Bruer Halloween Event
- 31 October** - Heritage Lincolnshire's AGM

# Education and Engagement



Heritage Lincolnshire continues to offer a wide variety of quality education experiences for all ages

## Work Experience Programmes

This year has seen eight Lincolnshire teenagers spend a week with us on work experience placements alongside a regular programme of offering talks and hands-on opportunities at a number of primary and secondary schools across the county. Highlights included a whole school archaeological week-long experience for the 230 pupils of Belton All Saints' Church of England Primary School on the Isle of Axholme in July which included digging two test pits in their school grounds. Our Community Archaeologist also worked with Winterton Primary School, developing a 6 week 'Romans in Winterton' programme, delivered as part of the Heritage Lottery Funded project at All Saints' Church, Winterton. We were delighted to learn that in October, the HLF project at All Saint's, Winterton was awarded the Flora Murray Award by the Society for Lincolnshire's History and Archaeology.

## Grow Adult Learning

The Grow Adult Learning Courses run by Heritage Lincolnshire on behalf of Lincolnshire County Council continue at a variety of venues across the county and are well supported. This year has seen sessions on the English Civil War, Landscape Archaeology, Conserving Historic Stonework and Food through the Ages.

## Layers of History

Our major education and engagement project, 'Layers of History' has had an incredibly busy second year and now has had 183 registered volunteers. They have finished at their first sites at Freiston Shore and Revesby (leading to the creation of an independent Revesby Archaeology Group), and have now commenced work on their next study sites – Hackthorn, Hainton, South Ormsby and at Aslackby, working with the local community to specifically engage people living with dementia. All online study courses are live and can be accessed at [www.heritagelincolnshire.org/layers/courses](http://www.heritagelincolnshire.org/layers/courses). Why not login and have a look?

## Walking Festivals

Both walking festivals saw good attendance this year, with combined figures of over 4,000 participants and approximately 100 volunteer walk leaders.

## Heritage Open Days

For the first time ever, Heritage Open Days took place over eight days (instead of four which had been previously offered) and saw an impressive uplift in participants – from **22,844 in 2017 to 31,500** and an associated rise to the visitor economy of approximately £1,000,000. Next year, the event runs over ten days, including two weekends and we are looking forward to working with all the volunteers who support the event.

# Archaeology

## ARCHAEOLOGICAL PROJECT SERVICES



**'The team have also been busy continuing to deliver a number of prominent archaeological research projects.'**

**Left** Lincolnshire Long Barrows Project

**Below Right** Historic Environment Skills trainees



Our specialist team of archaeologists (Archaeological Project Services) have undertaken a variety of commercial projects for clients across Lincolnshire and beyond, raising funds for the charity.

### Expanding the Team

The team has also expanded by taking on a number of trainee field archaeologists; two of these have been supported through the 'Historic Environment Skills' project. This 4-year partnership programme between Lincolnshire County Council, Lincoln Cathedral and Heritage Lincolnshire aims to deliver traditional heritage skills training thanks to Heritage Lottery funding. Along with the archaeological trainees, Heritage Lincolnshire has also taken on a trainee in historic building restoration.

### Research Projects

The team have also been busy continuing to deliver a number of prominent archaeological research projects. Work is progressing well on the Lincolnshire Long Barrows project funded by Historic England which is due to draw to a close in 2019. Staff involved with the project have also given two

public presentations on initial findings - one at the Society for Lincolnshire History and Archaeology's *Archaeology Live!* day in October and a more academic paper at the Neolithic Studies Group autumn meeting in the British Museum.

Geophysical work involving the local community has been undertaken at Bolingbroke Castle, funded by the Castle Studies Trust. This research project has been focused on detailed study of the Rout Yard, to try and identify the earlier castle site; unfortunately whilst the results were disappointingly negative for an earlier medieval fortress, further evidence has been uncovered of the sites later Civil War history.

### Community Archaeology

APS continues to support a variety of community archaeology projects across the county, including an ongoing programme of work on the Isle of Axholme and Hatfield Chase in North Lincolnshire and a forthcoming archaeological excavation in Boston working with the Boston Hanse group investigating the site of a possible medieval warehouse, known as a 'steelyard.'

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To contact the APS team, please email [info@apsarchaeology.co.uk](mailto:info@apsarchaeology.co.uk) or call 01529 461618

# Heritage Led Regeneration



Our current Building Preservation Project, **The Old King's Head**, is shortly about to enter an exciting phase – restoration work will officially begin in February 2019! This work will consolidate the structure of the main building, looking to stabilise the external walls and roof prior to allow internal building work which will take place as phase two. Fundraising for the project continues, but Heritage Lincolnshire are delighted to announce they received a number of substantial grants during 2018, meaning the fundraising target is now only £44,000.

## Working Together

Heritage Lincolnshire continues to work closely with Boston Borough Council, supporting a variety of heritage-led regeneration projects in the town centre. Work continues completing the Boston PSICA programme of works funded by Historic England and early in 2019, work will commence on the Heritage Lottery Funded Townscape Heritage Project, working with local property owners within the Conservation

Area to restore period features and improve commercial shop fronts to a number of Listed Buildings as well as undertake public realm work and involve the local community in a programme of heritage themed activities.

## Heritage Lincolnshire offer Consultancy

In addition to a number of projects we are directly involved with, we are now starting to use our expertise to offer consultancy to a wide variety of community groups and local authorities within Lincolnshire and across the East Midlands. We have delivered a series of heritage traditional skills workshops as part of a Townscape Heritage Project in Derby and also are undertaking work for another Townscape Heritage Project in Cleethorpes. Work has also involved undertaking feasibility studies and options appraisals for community groups wishing to re-use local heritage assets and helping groups to undertake specific elements of a funded project such as community consultation or evaluation.

For more information on Heritage Led Regeneration, please email [htladmin@heritagelincolnshire.org](mailto:htladmin@heritagelincolnshire.org) call on 01529 461499

# Thanks to volunteers...



**'...Heritage Lincolnshire has been extremely fortunate to benefit from 22 dedicated volunteers who have worked in a variety of roles directly supporting the work of our charity...'**

So much of what we do wouldn't be possible without the help of our wonderful volunteers. From supporting our walking festivals as walk leaders, to opening many sites and properties as part of Heritage Open Days, our army of volunteers provide such invaluable help and assistance in promoting and highlighting much of our wonderful natural and historic environment to both residents and visitors alike.

In particular, Heritage Lincolnshire has been extremely fortunate to benefit from **22 dedicated volunteers** who have worked in a variety of roles directly supporting the work of our charity, through supporting specific office based projects and taking part in a combination of new and existing activities.

During 2018, our volunteers have been busy:

- tidying and cataloguing our library
- sorting the Hilary Healey Collection
- attending a specific Collections Management course
- creating a volunteer Event Team

This year has also seen the creation of a specific Volunteer Events Team who have provided assistance to staff at a variety of external events as well as helping with fundraising. Enormous thanks must go to their efforts in selling raffle tickets for the Old King's Head Raffle, which raised over £1,200. The team have also helped with the creation of an entirely new event, 'Do something new', which has focused on generating interest in volunteering with the charity. A very successful initial event was run in Louth and, following feedback from this event, more are planned for 2019 across the county.

None of this work would be possible without the fantastic contribution of our volunteer 'Volunteer Coordinator', Jackie Goodall. Jackie provides support and assistance to both Heritage Lincolnshire staff and volunteers, matching up projects to volunteers and co-ordinating volunteer events and activities. Jackie has estimated that volunteers contributed approximately **1,500 hours towards the office-based work of Heritage Lincolnshire; that's over 200 days in one year!** Thank you to everyone who helps us – it's clear you make an enormous contribution towards the work of the Trust.

**SAVE**  
*The OLD*  
**KING'S HEAD**  
*at* **KIRTON**



The Old Kings Head, Kirton,. Work starts from February 2019. **Donate Now!**

## Financial Summary



Income in 2017-18	
Project Funding	£673,684
Archaeology within Lincolnshire	£214,632
Donations & Legacies	£10,382
Service Level Agreements	£85,801
Other trading income	£210,271
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1,194,770</b>

Expenditure in 2017-18	
Projects & charitable activities	£821,235.00
Archaeology within Lincolnshire	£185,335.00
Other Trading Activites	£180,441.00
Governance	£3,612.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1,190,623.00</b>

# Acknowledgements



## We would like to acknowledge the partnership and support of the following organisations:

Algakirk Major Project Group  
Architectural Heritage Fund  
Armed Forces Covenant  
Aslackby Trust  
Benington Community Heritage Trust  
Bergne-Coupland Trust  
Big Lottery Fund  
Boston Hansa Group  
Boston Preservation Trust  
Boston Borough Council  
Caistor Town Hall  
DEFRA  
Derbyshire Historic Building Trust  
East Lindsey District Council  
English Heritage

Environment Agency  
Garfield Weston Foundation  
Grainthorpe Parochial Church Council  
H B Allen Charitable Trust  
Heckington Windmill Trust  
Heritage Lottery Fund  
Heritage Trust Network  
Historic England  
Holbeach Cemetery Chapel  
Kirton Parish Council  
Lincoln Cathedral  
Lincoln City Council  
Lincolnshire County Council  
Lincolnshire Economic Action Partnership  
Lincolnshire Heritage Forum  
Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service

Lord Burgh's Retinue  
Mick Aston Archaeology Fund  
Michael Cornish  
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North East Lincolnshire Council  
North Lincolnshire Council  
North Kesteven District Council  
Ramblers  
Society for Lincolnshire History & Archaeology  
South Holland District Council  
South Kesteven District Council  
Tesco Bags for Life  
The Pilgrim Trust  
Thoroton Parochial Church Council  
West Lindsey District Council  
Winterton Parochial Church Council

# Ways to support our charity



## Become 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.

[www.heritagelincs.org/join](http://www.heritagelincs.org/join)

## 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](http://www.heritagelincs.org/donate)

## Volunteer

2018 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](http://www.heritagelincs.org/volunteer)

## 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](http://www.heritagelincs.org/legacy)

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