



Heritage Lincolnshire Summer Newsletter 2019

Goodbye from Liz Bates

Heritage Lincolnshire bids a fond farewell to CEO Liz Bates.

After 6 years in post as the charity's Chief Executive Officer and 17 years with the organisation, Liz Bates has left her post on the 7th June 2019.

Liz said "It has been a privilege to work with such a fantastic team of staff and volunteers over the past 17 years and I have learned a huge amount from everyone I've worked with in that time. I feel very fortunate to have had an opportunity to lead such a wonderful organisation and I know it will go from strength to strength in the future."

Liz has led the charity in delivering multi million pound capital projects that have taken historic buildings in urgent need of repair and secured new uses that have been of great benefit to local communities. The creation of high quality learning and volunteering opportunities has also been a major achievement during her time in post, delivering on the charity's core objectives. As an experienced fundraiser and historic buildings specialist, she has developed the focus of the charity to one that puts people and places in Lincolnshire at the heart of the organisation's ethos.



Welcome from Simon Johnson

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Lincolnshire
Interim CEO



Simon Johnson, whose services are being provided on a consultancy basis by Welton House Ltd, will take on the role of Interim CEO for a short time and will assist the Board of Trustees in the recruitment of the next permanent CEO for the organisation. Welton House Ltd is an independent corporate finance, commercial property and management consultancy business.

Simon Johnson said "We are delighted to have been offered the opportunity to assist the Trustees of Heritage Lincolnshire in keeping the ship on a steady course, while they undertake the challenging task of finding its next captain. Everyone who cares about the heritage and culture of Lincolnshire owes a debt of gratitude to Liz Bates for her endeavours over the many years of her involvement with Heritage Lincolnshire and we wish her well in her new role at InvestSK "



Our Fieldwork Team

Quarry Discoveries from Woodhall Spa showcased



Roman pot

Archaeological Project Services were delighted to host a community 'celebration evening' for residents local to Woodhall Spa Quarry. Over 50 people attended the free event, run in collaboration with Aggregate Industries, in order to discover the recent finds in the quarry.

Starting with a talk, our Community Archaeologist Lydia Hendry explained the story behind the dig, and how we work with big companies such as Aggregate Industries, as well as describing the techniques that revealed the amazing Roman finds.

After this people were invited to explore the discoveries for themselves by looking at the finds and pictures that had been brought from the site and displayed around the hall - as well as enjoying a coffee and a slice of cake! It was a fantastic evening, and a really good opportunity to help the local community connect with their heritage that we are uncovering.

Award Winning Boston Big Dig!

We were very proud to hear that the Boston Hanse Group have won the Pride of Boston award for the Boston Hanse Big Dig. We have had a great time working on this project with them. The dig has been taking place next to the River Witham in Boston, in order to try and reveal more about the involvement of the Hanseatic merchants in Boston and help educate people about this important time in the town's history.

Mike Peberdy, event organiser, had this to say about our contribution to the event: "There have been many positives, especially the schools' involvement and Lydia (APS Community Archaeologist) has done a fantastic job! The APS site staff have also been very supportive and always very helpful. Thank you."

The dig has seen over 300 people getting their hands dirty on site, learning new skills and making new friends. They even found time to discover some lovely finds, such as fragments of a medieval skillet and ribbed decoration green glaze!



A type of frying pan



PSiCA Shopfront Success!

For the last 5 years Heritage Lincolnshire has been managing the Partnership Schemes in Conservation Areas (PSiCA) on behalf of Boston Borough Council. The £700,000 grant is primarily funded by Historic England, with top-up grants from Boston Borough Council. The scheme is focussed on town centre regeneration and provides funding for the repair and reinstatement of historic materials. With the scheme drawing to a close Boston has recently benefitted from two amazing transformations: 23-25 High Street and 49 Market Place. Using local architects and local craftsmen the results highlight the fantastic impact heritage regeneration can have on an area. We are looking to build on the success of the PSiCA through the National Lottery Heritage Funded Boston Townscape Heritage Initiative (THI). Over the next few years we will be looking to transform Boston's built environment to complement its amazing history. We will be keeping you informed of any developments.

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Update on The Old King's Head

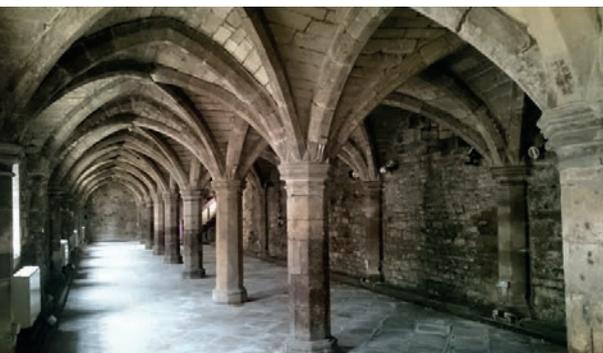
We conducted our first set of Hard Hat Tours open to the public at the end of April. We showed 40 people around the building and we had some great feedback. Our next tours are on Friday 19th July and if you would like to book in for one of these, please email Hannah.thompson@heritagelincs.org

The work on the building is continuing with Splith Building Conservation on site, and its structural integrity is being restored by removing and rebuilding areas that have been indicated by the architect. The new roof structure is almost complete and new wall heads to support the roof are being built. We are really starting to see some progress now!

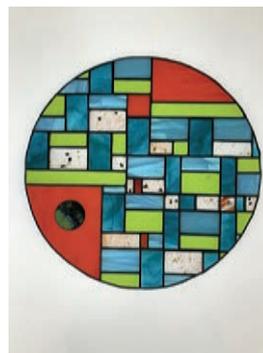




(Above) St Peter's Church, Barton upon Humber



Greyfriars, Lincoln



Strawberry Glass, Spalding

Co-Ordinating Lincolnshire's Biggest Heritage Festival!

Here at Heritage Lincolnshire, we feel that Heritage Open Days is the best opportunity to discover some of Lincolnshire's rarely seen historic riches. After all, there are so many exciting experiences that bring local history and culture to life, and it's absolutely free!

The county is bursting with fascinating stories, people and artefacts and it is our absolute pleasure to co-ordinate the festival for Lincolnshire, allowing tourists and 'yellow-bellies' alike to explore - both well-loved treasures and hidden gems.

Heritage Lincolnshire has co-ordinated Heritage Open Days within the historic county since 1994. So far there have been well over a thousand events and hundreds of thousands of visitors. But we couldn't do it without our volunteers,

as hundreds of people each year give their time to plan events and open up special places that matter to them.

In 2019 we will be celebrating the festival's 25th anniversary with the theme of Lincolnshire Learning, Wisdom and Folklore. This year's theme seeks to celebrate learning in its widest possible sense, from skills sharing to folklore, and academic heritage to military training.

For the first time ever the festival will take place over a ten day period, from **Friday 13th to Sunday 22nd September 2019**. This will give everyone more time to visit the special places taking part. There are over 186 fantastic events registered with us for 2019, all of which will be contained in our new look brochure, launching at the Lincolnshire Show on 19th June.

We hope you enjoy the festival, and look forward to seeing you at an amazing event in September.

Charlotte Davey & Ray Knight

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The Launch of the Lincs Pass

Heritage Lincolnshire have partnered with the creator of the East Anglia Pass on an exciting new concept for the whole of the County of Lincolnshire.

The East Anglia Pass has a huge following in places such as Essex and Suffolk, and we hope to continue this trend throughout Lincolnshire with the aim of increasing tourism within the county, and also encouraging external visits from across the UK and abroad, whilst getting great discounts for you!

So what is the Lincolnshire Pass?

For just £9.99 per year, you can receive great discounts and offers at a huge variety of attractions, cafes, accommodation, and retail outlets around the county.

The Lincolnshire Pass comes with an app that makes it easy to plan itineraries and identifies where the nearest 'Lincs Pass' business is located so you can get along and enjoy their offer too!

By purchasing the pass, you will also directly contribute to our charity, Heritage Lincolnshire. This will assist us in continuing our work as we undertake a range of activities in the promotion and conservation of the County's heritage, making sure every penny is put back into the Lincolnshire that we love.

This great partnership between Heritage Lincolnshire and the creators of the East Anglia Pass will create the first ever county-wide tourism pass and encourage people to move about the county, enjoying everything it has to offer. There is so much to do throughout our beautiful county, and we do not shout enough about it, so let's do it together!

If you are a local attraction, venue, accommodation, or café, and would like to be included on the pass, please get in touch with us at <https://lincspass.com/> or email lincs-pass@heritagelincolnshire.org to discuss further.



Update on Layers of History

The Layers of History team have had a busy Spring, and already have lots of events planned in for the summer.

Our day out to Wharram Percy, one of Britain's best preserved deserted medieval villages, was a long day but a great success. Our coachload of volunteers met expert Stuart Wrathmell at Thixendale Village Hall where he introduced us to the fascinating history of the site (over coffee and cake!) and volunteers then had the chance to explore Wharram Percy in glorious sunshine with Stuart on hand to point out the key features. Our new senior project officer, Cola, joined us for this trip and she is very excited to be working on the project and looking forward to working with volunteers at our new and existing sites.

Talking of new sites...Harlaxton has already hosted two events: a coffee morning and an introductory day where we explored the World War One trenches in the grounds of Harlaxton Manor. The project gained some new volunteers and we are now busy planning events, the first of which will be a Photography course on 20th June. Harlaxton will also be hosting events for our partnership with the Managed Care Network, one of which will be a Reminiscence Workshop aimed at those living with dementia and their carers on 19th June. If you would like to join us, please get

in touch.

We're hosting a Taster Day for another new site, Southrey Woods, on 25th June – if you would like to join us. You will spend the morning finding out about the Layers project, our aims for this new site, and in the afternoon take part in a short photography walk. If you don't already volunteer with us, why not come along and sign up so you can hear all about the exciting events we get up to...you can get involved

as much or as little as you like...just email layers@heritagelincolnshire.org for more information.

Other events in June include a Parks and Gardens course at South Ormsby on 13th and another at Aslackby on 21st. Both of these will be held with Landscape Historian Steffie Shields and have previously turned out to be very popular (and fully booked).



Visit to Wharram Percy



*Calendar 2019 (December);
Nicola Rushby*

Photography Competition for the 2020 Heritage Lincolnshire Calendar

Do you love Lincolnshire's heritage and know your way around a camera? We're looking for stunning and unusual photos of historic sites, buildings and landscapes that are less well known and publicised.

Try to think outside the box and choose a photo that will stand out from the crowd. Think about the changing seasons and how your photo would fit into our calendar.

Only one entry per person is allowed and you must email a completed entry form accompanied by your photo to photocomp@heritagelincolnshire.org by 1st August 2019. Visit <https://www.heritagelincolnshire.org/photographycompetition> for more information including Terms and Conditions.

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Heritage Lincolnshire Conference

Due to unforeseen circumstances we postponed our June date for the Heritage Lincolnshire Conference and have now rescheduled for **Friday 4th October** at the Lincolnshire showground. We would love for you to support us and join the event hosted by Lord Cormack, Heritage Lincolnshire's President.

We are delighted to announce that our Key Note Speaker is Dan Cruickshank (pictured), a well-known British art historian and BBC television presenter, with a special interest in the history of architecture. One not to be missed!

Speakers throughout the day will be discussing 'Unlocking the Potential of Lincolnshire's Heritage' and will illustrate the variety and quality of work currently being undertaken in Lincolnshire. We will highlight the wide range of projects and initiatives happening across the County from some of the leading experts in the heritage field. The day will be full of inspirational and knowledgeable speakers and a variety of breakout sessions have been developed to help you to connect, learn and grow within the sector.

To find out more head to our website <https://www.heritagelincs.org/take-part/conference>



Dan Cruickshank

Introducing our Jofli Charity Bear - and you can have one too!!!

Heritage Lincolnshire are excited to announce a fantastic and cuddly partnership with The Journey of Life Bear, Jofli. Jofli will be coming along to all events with us and letting you know all about how he can help you to record all your adventures around the county, to make sure your memories last forever.

You will be able to purchase your very own Heritage Lincolnshire Jofli, with his own branded t-shirt and every person who buys one will be contributing directly to the charity as 10% from every purchase of the Heritage Lincolnshire Joflis will come directly back into the Trust to help us continue our work to conserve the rich history of the county for the benefit of all of the people who live and work here. We will be encouraging you to get about the County with your Lincs Pass and Jofli, by tagging yourselves in on social media and doing competitions throughout the summer!

And there's no age limit on a Jofli Bear! The whole family can get involved in adding pages to Jofli's diary! We can all continue to have lots of adventures and record memories at every stage along the 'Journey of Life'!

Contact us on htladmin@heritagelincs.org to find out how to purchase one.





2019 Events Calendar

- 13th June Layers of History Parks and Gardens at South Ormsby with Steffie Shields
 19th & 20th June Lincolnshire Show launching Heritage Open Days
 19th June Layers of History Reminiscence Workshop at Harlaxton aimed at those with dementia and their carers
 20th June Layers of History Photography course at Harlaxton with Adam Winfield
 21st June Layers of History Aslackby Garden walk & talk with Steffie Shields
 25th June Layers of History Taster Day for Southrey Woods
 27th June Layers of History Reminiscence Cookery with Sadie Hirst and the Square Hole Club
 29th June – 7th July The Belton Big Dig Isle of Axholme
 4th & 11th July GROW Course: Mediaeval Castles & Great Houses with James Wright
 4th July Heritage Trust Network: ‘*Meanwhile; Temporary Use & Protecting Historic Buildings*’ Nottingham Cathedral Hall. Booking essential. £15 members, £25 non-members. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/meanwhile-temporary-use-and-protecting-vacant-historic-buildings-tickets-60457673529>
 9th July Layers of History Historic buildings course with Kathryn Moore in Aslackby
 16th July GROW Course Food through the Ages with Sadie Hirst
 19th July Hard Hat Tours of The Old King's Head
 30th July Layers of History Digital Resources workshop
 13th – 22nd September Heritage Open Days Festival
 28th September - 27th October South Lincolnshire Walking Festival

For any further event information
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