

70 Years of British Archaeology

The CBA was set up in 1944 as an independent champion for archaeology to combat the intense pressure on the historic environment from post-war redevelopment.

To keep all that we have gained over the past 70 years, we need your support now to speak up with a united voice and demonstrate that Archaeology Matters.

THE 4 CORE OBJECTIVES OF THE CBA

- 1 PARTICIPATION
- 2 DISCOVERY
- 3 ADVOCACY
- 4 SUSTAINABILITY

1948
Milestone CBA publication linked with the creation of a new research framework for British archaeology.



1949
Beatrice de Cardi appointed as first CBA Secretary, a lifelong champion of archaeology, now in her 100th year.



1959
CBA establishes Industrial Archaeology Committee - the first of its kind in the world.

1964
CBA creates the Nautical Archaeology Committee - later to become the Society for Nautical Archaeology.

1972
CBA establishes the Church Committee which would later become the Society for Church Archaeology.

1972
CBA publication The Erosion of History plays seminal role in developing 'urban archaeology' across Europe.

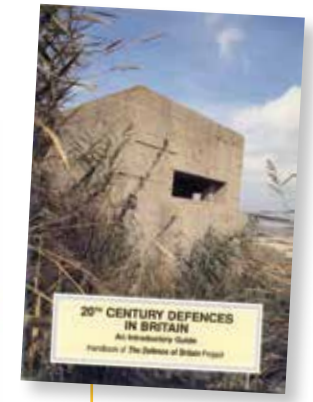


1979
Ancient Monuments & Archaeological Areas Act 1979 enacting key CBA policy for protecting historic town centres.



1993
Rosemary Cramp's review of the organisation of the CBA leads to membership being opened up to individuals for the first time.

1995
First edition of the new look British Archaeology published.



WW PHYSICAL LEGACY OF THE HOME FRONT 1914-18

2002
The culmination of the Defence of Britain project - a precursor to 2014's Home Front Legacy campaign.

2010
The CBA publishes a key report on Community Archaeology which identifies UK-wide training needs. This leads to over 50 community archaeology training bursaries funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund.

1944
CBA founded to safeguard all kinds of archaeological material and strengthen the existing measures for the care of ancient and historic buildings, monuments & antiquities.



1949
The status of the CBA as the body representative of British archaeological opinion received official recognition via annual Grant-in-aid from the Government (subsequently channelled via the British Academy).

1950
Brian Hope-Taylor's poster launches the CBA's public finds recording campaign.



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1965
CBA response to Buchanan Report introduces the concept of 'historic urban areas' that is still in use today.

1968
First publication of British Archaeological Abstracts, summarising key archaeology publications. The first such service for archaeology in the World, has since been copied across Europe.

1968
Town & Country Planning Act which led on to a new role for the CBA assessing applications to demolish listed buildings in England and Wales.



1972
Young Archaeologists' Club (YAC) founded by Kate Pretty and Mike Corbishley to involve young people in the field.

1976
1976 British Archaeological Awards established to showcase best practice in the field. In the 25th anniversary Awards Kate Pretty and Mike Corbishley receive an award for setting up YAC.



1983
CBA instrumental in the setting up of the Institute for Archaeologists (IfA).

1990
The original Day of Archaeology, started in 1990 has grown to be a fortnight-long Festival of Archaeology.



1996
Internet Archaeology e-journal and the Archaeology Data Service launched by consortia involving the CBA to take advantages of new digital technology.

1996
Passing of the Treasure Act marks culmination of almost 40 years of groundwork and lobbying by the CBA.

2005
Archaeology for All brand launched to encourage wider participation in the field.

ARCHAEOLOGY FOR ALL

ARCHAEOLOGY MATTERS



Archaeology gives us so much. Now it's time to give a little back

The CBA brings together everyone active in archaeology in the UK, from professional archaeologists, academics and students, to county societies, community groups and Young Archaeologists.

As a charity we rely on external funding, membership income and donations to carry out our activities. Our funding sources have declined and we now need your help to sustain our work so we can rise to the significant challenges for archaeology ahead.

We need more support from our members and supporters to provide a stable foundation so we can continue to resource our campaigning and advocacy work, participation projects and programmes.



If every CBA member gives as little as £5 each year, we can raise £20,000 towards our costs to take forward our vital work on behalf of everyone who is passionate about our discipline and its future.

- Give a donation now
- Add a donation when you renew your membership
- Donate to the CBA each month by standing order or direct debit
- Sign up for gift aid and increase the income we receive at no extra cost to you

MAKE A DONATION TO SUPPORT THE CBA'S WORK

Donate at: new.archaeologyUK.org/donate or call us on 01904 671417

We all know that Archaeology matters - now is the time for us to come together and speak up for its future.

If you are already a member, you can upgrade your CBA membership to our new categories of support, or introduce someone new.

Be a friend to archaeology

We need your help to grow our numbers and strengthen our voice. You can make a real difference by investing in the Council for British Archaeology's work to safeguard archaeology now. Help to sustain our advocacy, participation programmes and Young Archaeologists' Club.

Be an ambassador for archaeology

Join our circle of active and influential advocates for archaeology who share our vision and can work with us to make a difference.

Loyal and committed support from your ongoing membership will give the CBA, and archaeology, the support it needs right now to remain sustainable for years to come.

Introduce someone new

Spread the word to like-minded friends, family and colleagues and encourage them to support Britain's archaeology and historic buildings by joining the CBA, or treat them to a gift membership.



Can you imagine archaeology without the CBA?

We want to continue to ensure that archaeology is widely taught in our schools and universities, that expert professional advisory services are available to the planning teams responsible for our historic landscapes, and that we can still preserve and showcase our discoveries for future generations through museums and dynamic archaeology records.

Above all, the CBA wants to make sure that everyone is able to benefit from the many opportunities archaeology offers, now and in the future. So that we, our children and generations to come can share new skills and knowledge, and learn from the past.



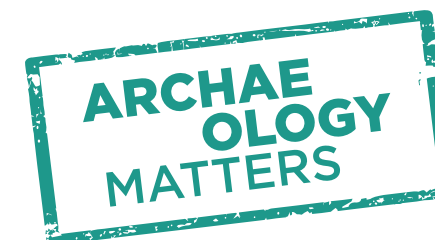
Leaving a legacy is a tax efficient way to make a gift, as it is exempt from inheritance tax. You don't have to be wealthy to support us as there are a number of ways you can choose to leave a bequest.

The CBA plays a key role in safeguarding our archaeological heritage and our discipline. These are challenging times and our most important work is ahead, but we need your help so we can continue to make a difference.

LEAVE A LASTING LEGACY TO ARCHAEOLOGY

Support Britain's rich archaeological heritage for your family, their family, and generations to come, by leaving a gift in your will to the CBA.

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Together with our members, supporters and partners, we help give archaeology a voice and a place in so many people's lives. Here's a snapshot of how we have encouraged archaeology for all.

YOUNG ARCHAEOLOGISTS' CLUB

Over 600 volunteers run around 65 Young Archaeologists' Club (YAC) Branches across the country, giving young people fun, active and social ways to learn about archaeology, get hands-on and develop new skills.

WORLD'S LARGEST FESTIVAL OF ARCHAEOLOGY

Heritage organisations and volunteers hosted the 23rd CBA Festival of Archaeology in 2014, enabling a quarter of a million visitors to get hands on with history at over 1,200 events across the UK.

IN THE COMMUNITY

The CBA Community Archaeology Bursaries Project, funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund with support from English Heritage, Cadw and Historic Scotland, has enabled us to offer 51 year-long workplace learning placements with hosts across the UK heritage sector over

In our 70th year, we continue to bring our vision for archaeology to life.

the past three years. The placements equip would-be community archaeologists with the skills and experience to work with voluntary groups and communities, taking archaeology out to wider audiences.

SPEAKING UP FOR ARCHAEOLOGY

We work actively with a range of partners to shape government policy around issues threatening the future of our historic environment.

Our advocacy work over the years has included:

- Championing archaeology in the planning system
- Better systems for safeguarding portable antiquities
- Enhanced protection for wreck sites from looters and commercial salvage
- Pushing for archaeology to be included in the formal education curriculum

MAKING THE CASE FOR LISTED BUILDINGS

We are one of the few national amenity societies consulted on proposals for alteration wherever demolition is involved. We defend

the archaeological significance of buildings and sites giving a unique and vital voice to building types that may not otherwise be considered. We work with volunteer agents from local societies and historic buildings groups.

SUPPORTING LOCAL ACTION

Our four-year project, funded by the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation will provide local communities with a toolkit, guidance and support for looking after their local heritage and speaking up for their archaeology, conservation and museum services in the light of proposed cuts. Get involved at new.archaeologyUK.org/local-heritage-engagement-network

SPEAK UP FOR ARCHAEOLOGY BY TAKING PART IN OUR CAMPAIGNS

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