

History from the ground



Ancient pottery fragments and other objects such as these may be found wherever we dig into the ground.

They alone can tell the story of mankind before history was written. Watch for them and bring likely finds to expert attention.

Report your discoveries to your local Museum or Public Library

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Brian Hope-Taylor's famous poster launching the CBA's 1950 public finds reporting campaign.

**Celebrating 70 years
at the heart of British
archaeology**

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FOR ALL**

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Welcome to our special newsletter celebrating 70 years of the CBA at the heart of British archaeology.

In this special newsletter we look back at the growth of the discipline and look forward to how we can work with our members and supporters to continue to bring our vision of Archaeology for All to life, through discovery, participation and campaigning.

It is impossible to imagine archaeology in the UK today without the CBA.

Since our founding in 1944, we have led the way with our groundbreaking projects and innovative resources, sharing research, and knowledge, and opening up archaeology to new generations and new audiences.

Above all, the CBA and its partners have worked tirelessly to represent the interests of everyone who cares about the UK's rich archaeology heritage and the future of our profession.

Our campaigning role is more vital now than ever with increasing threats to our archaeological heritage from development pressures and the effects of funding cutbacks on archaeology practice here in the UK. Many archaeologists argue that we are at risk of losing all that we have gained over the past 70 years.

So, in this issue we also mark the launch of our 2014 appeal to everyone who cares about the future of British archaeology to come together to support the CBA and demonstrate that **Archaeology Matters**.

Young Archaeologists' Conference: Great Excavations!

Celebrate the Festival of Archaeology with the Young Archaeologists' Club and the University of York at our family conference, Great Excavations, on Saturday 26 July.

The conference, based on the University of York's campus, will feature talks and hands-on workshops with some of the university's top archaeologists.

Prepare to be amazed by Hayley Saul as she explains more about an incredible project high in the Himalayas! Her talk describes the challenges of doing archaeology in some of the highest mountains in the world.

Martin Carver led the most recent excavations of the world-famous Anglo-Saxon site of Sutton Hoo. He'll describe discoveries of England's early kings, buried in bronze buckets, with horses or in ships, with beautiful objects made of gold, silver, bronze, iron, wood, textiles, feathers and fur.

Discover what the latest scientific techniques can tell us about people's health, diet and disease in the past. Camilla Speller works in the university's laboratories analysing ancient DNA and proteins preserved in the mouths of skeletons.

More information about the day including how to book can be found on the YAC website. We look forward to seeing you there!

www.yac-uk.org/ebconf26



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FESTIVAL

Book the dates in your diary for the 24th Festival of Archaeology 12 - 27 July 2014!

Explore archaeology in your area with a huge range of exciting Festival events, from hands-on live digs, open days and guided walks to family days and tours of the latest groundbreaking discoveries.

Help conserve a stone circle at Boscawen-Un in Cornwall, explore a Cold War bunker in West Sussex and industrial archaeology at Hoylandswaine Nail Forge in Barnsley.

Have a go at the latest digital technology amongst the archaeological sites of the Llŷn Peninsula, visit the Home Front house in Derby, experience life as a Roman in Bristol or step into medieval London by twilight at the Museum of London.

With around 1200 events across the UK there will be something for you. Flick through the Festival taster brochure for inspiration, then visit the website to plan your Festival fortnight: www.archaeologyfestival.org.uk

Organise an event!

It's easy to run an event as part of the Festival and all archaeology and community groups, museums, universities, projects and excavations are welcome to take part.

We provide downloadable publicity materials and Festival logos as well as free contingent public, product and employer liability insurance cover to organisers and properties registered with the Festival.

Register online at www.archaeologyfestival.org.uk/registration

CBA Wessex Launch WAFA

The Wessex Academy for Field Archaeology (WAFA) is at Ash Farm, in Dorset.

It offers a place to learn how to 'read' landscapes, recognise ancient finds, interpret aerial photographs, carry out geophysical surveys, and how to dig.

For more information on the day schools on offer and excavations taking place during the summer go to: www.wafa.org.uk

ADOPTING ARCHAEOLOGY

The CBA is working with York University to host an exciting one-day conference and workshop bringing together a range of organisations involved in the community-led conservation of archaeological sites, including historic buildings, earthworks and monuments, industrial sites and ancient woodland. The aim of the conference is to share experiences and discuss best practice.

Key speakers will include the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, Adopt-A-Monument (Archaeology Scotland), Heritage Lincolnshire, the Friends of Ancient Monuments project (CBA Wessex), the Industrial Heritage national support programme, the Friends of Chainbridge Forge and the South Yorkshire Biodiversity Research Group.

The event is on 24 June at the Guildhall Arts Centre in Grantham. More information is available at: <http://new.archaeologyuk.org/cba-events>

Looking back at 70 years of the CBA and forward to the future

This year, the CBA is celebrating 70 years of being at the heart of the British archaeology community, and what a journey it has been.

Throughout the decades, the CBA has been at the forefront of the development of our discipline, leading the way with ground-breaking projects and innovative resources, and sharing research, discoveries and knowledge, as well as being a leading advocate.

Fuelled in recent years by popular TV series such as Meet the Ancestors and Time Team, the public's appetite for all things archaeology has grown and grown. Community archaeology and local societies increasingly offer everyone the chance to experience the excitement of fieldwork and learn new skills and knowledge near to home.

Linked with new discoveries and increased understanding of our past, we have opened up archaeology to new generations through the Young Archaeologists' Club and to new audiences through our annual Festival of Archaeology and community programmes, pursuing our vision of Archaeology for All. Above all, we have worked tirelessly to represent the interests of everyone who cares about the UK's archaeology.

The CBA was set up in 1944 to be an independent champion for archaeology to combat the intense pressure on the historic environment from post-war redevelopment and to strengthen the existing measures for the care of ancient and historic buildings, monuments and antiquities.

Today, the CBA is the leading independent voice representing views across the discipline and advocating the importance of archaeology with policy shapers and decision makers.

We have a key role in the planning system relating to the proposed demolition of listed buildings in England and Wales, as part of our wider efforts to sustain and enhance the significance of the UK's historic environment. We are at the centre of networks across the archaeology and heritage sectors and we also engage with partners in the natural environment - reminding them that much of the 'natural' landscape we cherish today is the result of human activity over millennia.

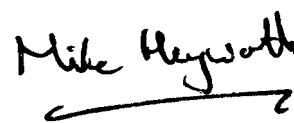
Our campaigning role is just as vital now as in the 1940s with arguably even more threats to our archaeological heritage from the pressure of development and effects of funding cutbacks on archaeology practice in the UK.



Welsh Culture Minister, John Griffiths AM (left) with Mike Heyworth (right) at the launch of the Welsh Community Archaeology Framework at Castell Coch in 2013.

As we celebrate our 70th year we know we still have much to do. Despite the gains in systems of protection and developing understanding of our archaeological heritage, many of the concerns felt when the CBA was founded still exist today.

Archaeology matters just as much to us today - please help us spread the message, and be a friend to archaeology by continuing to offer your active support to the CBA through our appeal.



Dr Mike Heyworth MBE - CBA Director

Increasing participation

In our 70th year, we continue to bring our vision to life – through discovery, participation, and speaking up for archaeology through our advocacy and campaigns.

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 what we do.

YOUNG ARCHAEOLOGISTS' CLUB

YAC started with one brilliant idea in 1972 and today 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.

“It is brilliant to know that groups, with dedicated leadership teams, are nurturing the interests of archaeologists and historians of the future.”

Alex Thomson, Assistant Leader, North Wiltshire YAC

WORLD'S LARGEST FESTIVAL OF ARCHAEOLOGY

Over 10,300 volunteers hosted the 23rd CBA Festival of Archaeology in 2013, enabling over 20,000 visitors to get hands on with history at over 1,000 events across the UK.

The Festival, supported by English Heritage and Cadw, is the world's largest archaeology event with 400 organisations taking part. Walks, tours



and talks, live digs, new discoveries, living history and family events open up archaeology to everyone.

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 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.

“I feel I have made a strong connection with the communities I have worked with. Every day creates new and exciting ways of teaching people about archaeology.”

Chris Kolonko, Norfolk County Council's Historic Environment Service

CBA NETWORK

We work closely with national & regional CBA Groups run by volunteer committees to deliver the CBA's vision in their communities through information, research and conferences, events and practical training and local advocacy.

In 2013 we hosted a forum for local societies to stimulate debate on the role of the voluntary sector in archaeology and share ideas and good practice. A discussion paper and survey were circulated to gather wider feedback for publication in 2014.

PARTNERSHIP PROJECTS

Home Front Legacy 1914-18 is a four-year partnership project, coordinated by the CBA, providing an online toolkit for volunteers to record and map local First World War sites and buildings across the UK and preserve our stories for future generations.

THE 4 CORE OBJECTIVES OF THE CBA

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

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.



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.

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).

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

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

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

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.

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.

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.



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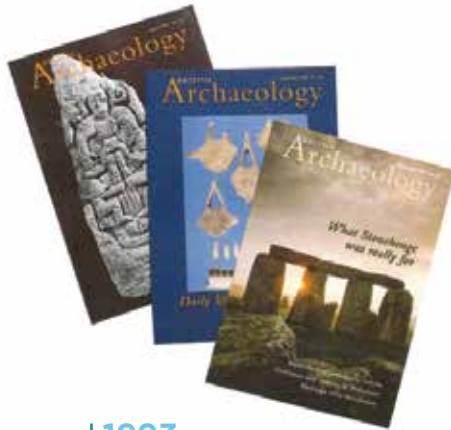


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1979

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

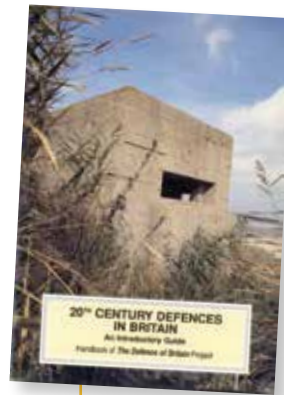


1993

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.



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.

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

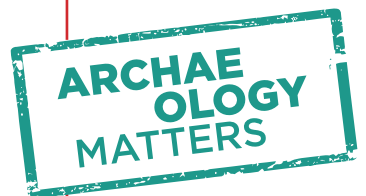
Archaeology for All brand launched to encourage wider participation in the field.

2014

70th anniversary, Archaeology Matters campaign launched to sustain the CBA to continue to meet the challenges ahead for archaeology.



ARCHAEOLOGY FOR ALL



Supporting discovery

British Archaeology magazine

Our flagship bi-monthly print and digital magazine is the leading voice of British Archaeology. Recent issues have covered news, views and in-depth features from the early human occupation of the British Isles and the discovery of Richard III, to Ice Age Art and Orkney's great mystery dig. Each issue also carries our Briefing list of UK fieldwork, conferences and events, connecting people up with archaeology.

100% of readers in our 2013 survey rated our magazine content to be either good or excellent.

CBA publications

We have continued to publish the best in British archaeology for more than 60 years. Our wide range of research publications and practical handbooks bring the very latest archaeological knowledge to a broad audience. Last year, we launched the first book in a new Archaeology for All series, Star Carr: Life in Britain after the Ice Age, recently shortlisted for the British Archaeological Awards.

Internet Archaeology, the world's first online multimedia journal for archaeology was launched in 1996 and continues to lead the way.



Research commissioned by the CBA, with funding from English Heritage, identified barriers to participation for minority ethnic groups in education, volunteer schemes and the archaeological workforce.

News, online resources and information

We keep students, researchers and enthusiasts up to date with the latest in UK archaeology, with our Briefing round up of fieldwork and conference activity, our social media channels and our online forums.

biab

The British and Irish Archaeological Bibliography (biab) provides references covering all aspects of archaeology and the historic environment for every chronological period. The dataset contains more than 200,000 bibliographic records, including grey literature, with over 1600 new records added each year. Last year saw over 36,000 unique visitors to the site.

Online guidance

The Introduction to Standards and Guidance in Archaeological Practice (ISGAP) provides essential guidelines and good practice for volunteers and professionals alike and was developed by the CBA in conjunction with the Institute for Archaeologists with support from English Heritage.

WHAT NEXT?

Despite all of these projects and programmes, our activities are set within a challenging context for archaeology funding and practice.

"We need our members and supporters to help us sustain our important participation, campaigning and advocacy, and discovery programmes, and enable us to tap into the huge enthusiasm for archaeology.

Can you support our appeal and be a friend to archaeology?"

www.archaeologymatters.org.uk



A handwritten signature of Dan Snow in black ink.

Dan Snow, CBA President

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 (the new National Planning Policy Framework in England includes a specific section on the historic environment)
- Better systems for safeguarding portable antiquities (the 1996 Treasure Act followed active CBA lobbying, and the Portable Antiquities Scheme has a key role to play)
- Enhanced protection for wreck sites from looters and commercial salvage (new UK Government policy forbids all commercial exploitation of wrecks)
- Pushing for archaeology to be included in the formal education curriculum (prehistory was recently added to the National Curriculum in England)

We continue to push for enhanced safeguarding of landscapes, sites, building and antiquities, and to promote opportunities for public engagement.

SUPPORTING LOCAL ACTION

The involvement of local people in debates over ongoing cuts to local archaeological services, and how their local historic environment is protected, is more important now than ever.

Our **Local Heritage Engagement Network** (LHEN) project, funded by the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation, supports local groups across the UK to look after and protect the historic environment on their doorsteps.

We are working with a number of key partners to raise awareness and respond to consultations about funding cuts, including the Federation of Archaeological Managers and Employers (FAME), the Association of Local Government Archaeological Officers UK (ALGAO), the Institute for Archaeologists (IfA) and Civic Voice.

MAKING THE CASE FOR LISTED BUILDINGS

As one of six national amenity societies consulted on proposals for alteration wherever demolition is involved, we receive up to 4,000 listed building applications from England and Wales each year. 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.

MICK ASTON ARCHAEOLOGY FUND

The Mick Aston Archaeology Fund continues our support for voluntary research into the historic environment with grants of up to £1,000. Over £16,500 was distributed last year to community projects, with funding from English Heritage and Cadw.



The CBA successfully submitted Deptford Docks & Sayes Court Garden to the World Monument Watch, one of only four UK sites in this year's list.

“Our Historic Buildings and Conservation Committee meet monthly and on average comment on some 40 cases each time. These vary enormously from small timber frame buildings in the Outer London Boroughs to complex development sites in the more central areas.”

Jon Finney, London and Middlesex Archaeological Society and CBA Agent.



Whitworth Park Community Archaeology & History Project funded by the Mick Aston Archaeology Fund uncover Victorian and Edwardian heritage in Manchester.



A future for archaeology

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.

We have a key role to play in safeguarding our archaeological heritage, and our discipline. These are challenging times and we know that our most important work still lies before us.

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.

As a charity we rely on external funding, membership income and donations to carry out our activities. As our funding sources decline, we are looking for new income to sustain our work so we can rise to the significant challenges for archaeology ahead.

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.

What does the CBA mean to you?

The CBA may have given you hands-on opportunities through our Young Archaeologists' Club, supported your study with our online research and publications. We may have put you in touch with fieldwork, or kickstarted your career through our bursary programme.

We may have given your society a grant, or helped reveal, and perhaps protect the past in your neighbourhood. Or, we may simply have opened up a world of new knowledge and opportunities helping you to get more involved in Britain's rich archaeological heritage.

We need everyone who cares about our discipline to invest in the future of the CBA now.

“At a time when so much of our material past is under threat, the CBA does a great job in strengthening that crucial bond that links all of us to our past.”

Michael Wood



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

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

The Council for British Archaeology is launching a major appeal to everyone who cares about the future for archaeology in the UK.

To make sure we have the resources to respond to the significant challenges now facing archaeology, we are aiming to raise an additional **£250,000** each year for the next three years to support the CBA's work.



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.

Reflect your commitment to the CBA's work and help to sustain our advocacy, and Young Archaeologists' Club programmes (from £25 a month).

Become a Lifetime Member of the CBA

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 (from £1,200).

Become an Ambassador for Archaeology

Join our group of active and influential advocates for archaeology who share our vision and are able to work with us to make a difference (from £1,000 a year).

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.

Introduce younger children or grandchildren to archaeology with a family membership pack, or a student membership if they are off to university.

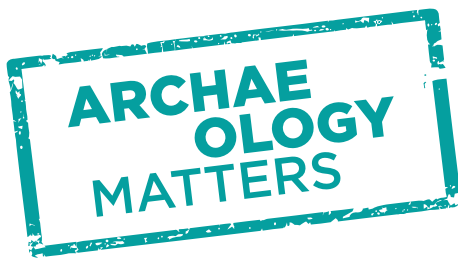
If you are a member of a local archaeology society, encourage them to



become an organisational member. Introduce the CBA to local or family history groups in your area, and mention our Home Front Legacy 1914-18 UK recording project.

UPGRADE YOUR MEMBERSHIP AT

www.archaeologymatters.org.uk
or call us on 01904 671417



Support from CBA members and supporters will provide a stable foundation so we can continue to resource our campaigning and advocacy work, projects and programmes.

GIVE A LITTLE MORE TO ARCHAEOLOGY

If every CBA member gives an extra £5 each year, we can raise £20,000 towards our annual appeal target to take forward our vital work representing everyone who is passionate about our discipline and its future.

- Add a donation when you renew your membership
- Give a donation now
- Donate to the CBA each month by standing order or direct debit

Donate at:

<http://new.archaeologyUK.org/donate> or call us on 01904 671417

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.

At the Council for British Archaeology we believe that preserving, understanding and speaking up for our archaeological heritage will provide a vital legacy for the future. You can



help to provide the stable funding we need to sustain our important work in the long term.

Your legacy can help us continue to campaign for protection for our archaeological heritage, ensure that our successors can learn from and experience archaeology and give more young people the opportunity to start a lifetime of involvement.

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. Contact us for a legacy pack on 01904 671417 or email legacies@archaeologyUK.org

Join our local heritage engagement network

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. <http://new.archaeologyUK.org/local-heritage-engagement-network>

PROTECT OUR ANCIENT WOODLAND ARCHAEOLOGY

We are working with the Woodland Trust to safeguard ancient woodland and its archaeology which is under threat from government proposal's for biodiversity offsetting.

Get involved by writing to your local MP.

<http://new.archaeologyUK.org/campaign-for-ancient-woodlands>

ADDING TO KNOWLEDGE

We are urging everyone to report new archaeological finds and allow them to be fully recorded for posterity, in line with our good practice guide.

<http://new.archaeologyuk.org/treasure-and-portable-antiquities>

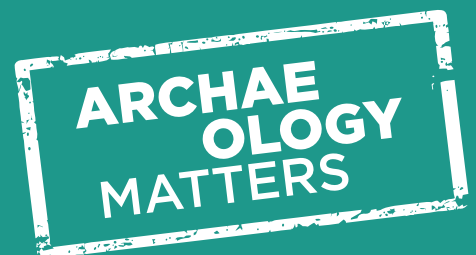


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