

River Raiders: Digging Deeper

Online Archaeological & Historical Archives

Many thanks for your continued interest in the River Raiders project focussing on the Anglo-Saxon and Viking periods in the Brecks, which is supported by the National Lottery Heritage Fund and is being delivered as part of the wider Brecks Fen Edge and Rivers landscape partnership scheme.

This session provides an overview of the many and varied sources of archaeological and historical information which can be accessed online and used to inform research projects. The session focusses on East Anglian Anglo-Saxon and Viking resources in particular, but many of the sources presented contain material relevant to all periods across the whole country.

Archaeological Sites and Historic Buildings

Norfolk Heritage Explorer: <http://www.heritage.norfolk.gov.uk/>

Suffolk Heritage Explorer: <https://heritage.suffolk.gov.uk/>

Heritage Gateway: <https://www.heritagegateway.org.uk/gateway/>

National Heritage List for England: <https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/>

Archaeological Artefacts

Portable Antiquities Scheme: <https://finds.org.uk/>

British Museum Collection: <https://www.britishmuseum.org/collection>

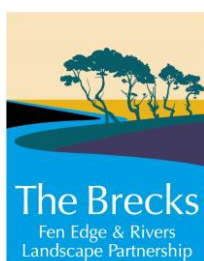
Norfolk Museums Collections: <http://norfolkmuseumscollections.org/>

Colchester and Ipswich Museums Collections: <https://cimuseums.org.uk/collections/>

Online Journals and Monographs

Norfolk Archaeology: <https://doi.org/10.5284/1078322>

Proceedings of the Suffolk Institute for Archaeology and History:
<https://www.suffolkinstute.org.uk/publications>



East Anglian Archaeology Monographs: <http://eaareports.org.uk/>

Medieval Archaeology (1–50):

https://archaeologydataservice.ac.uk/archives/view/med_arch/volumes.cfm

Aerial Photographs and Old Maps

Britain from Above: <https://britainfromabove.org.uk/>

National Library of Scotland: <https://maps.nls.uk/>

Old Maps: <https://www.old-maps.co.uk/>

The Genealogist (Tithe Maps): <https://www.thegenealogist.co.uk/>

Norfolk Historic Map Explorer: <http://www.historic-maps.norfolk.gov.uk/mapexplorer/>

Google Earth Pro: <http://www.google.co.uk/earth/versions/>

Lidar (Environment Agency):

<https://environment.data.gov.uk/DefraDataDownload/?Mode=survey>

Lidar (Brecks): <http://www.breakingnewground.org.uk/our-projects/a-future-for-all/revealing-the-landscape-lidar/>

Historical Documents

Norfolk Record Office: <https://www.archives.norfolk.gov.uk/>

Suffolk Archives: <https://www.suffolkarchives.co.uk/>

The National Archives: <https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/>

British Library (Manuscripts): <https://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/>

Parker Library, Corpus Christi College: <https://parker.stanford.edu/parker/>

Cambridge Digital Library: <https://cudl.lib.cam.ac.uk/>

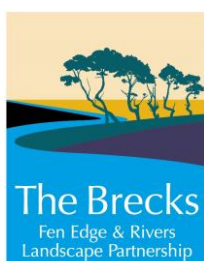
The Morgan Library and Museum: <https://www.themorgan.org/collection/Life-and-Miracles-of-St-Edmund>

Lydgate's *Life of Edmund*:

http://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/FullDisplay.aspx?ref=Harley_MS_2278

Bede's *Historia Ecclesiastica Gentis Anglorum* (*Ecclesiastical History of the English People*):

http://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/FullDisplay.aspx?ref=Cotton_MS_Tiberius_C_II



Beowulf:

http://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/FullDisplay.aspx?ref=Cotton_MS_Vitellius_A_XV and/or
<http://ebeowulf.uky.edu/ebeo4.0/start.html>

The Anglo-Saxon Chronicle

- Parker Chronicle (A-text): <https://parker.stanford.edu/parker/catalog/wp146tq7625>
- Abingdon Chronicle I (B-text):
http://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/FullDisplay.aspx?ref=Cotton_MS_Tiberius_A_VI
- Abingdon Chronicle II (C-text):
http://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/FullDisplay.aspx?ref=Cotton_MS_Tiberius_B_I
- Worcester Chronicle (D-text):
http://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/FullDisplay.aspx?ref=Cotton_MS_Tiberius_B_IV
- Peterborough (or Laud) Chronicle (E-text):
<https://digital.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/objects/6272311c-058d-417a-8e21-05e463b4f1f9/>
- Bilingual Canterbury Epitome (F-text):
https://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/FullDisplay.aspx?ref=Cotton_MS_Domitian_A_VIII

Domesday Book: <https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/domesday/>

Scanned Books and Theses

The Internet Archive: <https://archive.org/>

Google Books: <https://books.google.co.uk/>

Academia: <https://www.academia.edu/>

Victoria County History: <https://www.history.ac.uk/research/victoria-county-history/county-histories-progress>

British Library (Theses): <https://ethos.bl.uk/Home.do>

Online Lectures

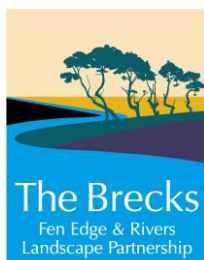
Society of Antiquaries of London: <https://www.youtube.com/user/SocAntiquaries/>

Royal Archaeological Institute: <https://www.royalarchinst.org/rai-lectures-online>

British Museum: <https://www.youtube.com/user/britishmuseum>

Abbey of St Edmund Heritage Partnership: <https://www.abbeyofstedmund.org.uk/rise-to-ruins/>

Rendlesham Revealed: <https://heritage.suffolk.gov.uk/rendlesham-behind-the-scenes>



Previous Seminars

Many thanks to all those of you who joined us for the first two online seminars in late September and October, which focused on Anglo-Saxon and Viking East Anglia and Reading the Anglo-Saxon and Viking Landscape. For those of you who haven't already seen them, videos of both of these sessions can be viewed on the Brecks and Fen Edge Rivers project YouTube channel, where they have now been viewed quite a few times.

- Anglo-Saxon & Viking East Anglia:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oui7DzhwTYE>
- Reading the Anglo-Saxon & Viking Landscape:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AmqtK2e541U>

A reading list linked to both sessions can be downloaded from the Breckland Society website: <http://www.brecsoc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/River-Raiders-Additional-Reading.pdf>. On it you will find lists of references to books and articles about different aspects of the subjects covered. Many of the resources are available online, and links are also provided, while others are available relatively cheaply online.

First River Raiders Booklet Planning Meeting

If you would like to be involved in researching, writing and creating the River Raiders booklet, the first planning meeting is being held online at 10:30am on Wednesday 24th March. You can join the meeting using the Zoom link below and I shall look forward to seeing you online.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84900362778?pwd=cHLZS1lKcU1vZTB2L3FuUSsyeTcoUT09>

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