

## Course details

### Course title

History: The Rural Wessex Landscape since 1500

### Course code

Q00017153

### Course date

Start: 07/11/24

End: 07/11/24

### Number of classes

1 sessions

### Timetable

Thu 7th Nov, 10:30 to 15:30

### Branch

Winchester

### Tutor

Hadrian Cook

### Fee range

Free to £21.00

### How you'll learn

You'll join a small group of fellow learners for classes at the venue indicated. Some materials may be provided in our virtual learning environment.

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## **Venue**

St Lawrence Parish Rooms (Winchester)  
Colebrook Street  
Winchester  
SO23 9LH

## **Level of study**

Beginners

## **Course overview**

The rural Wessex landscape since 1500 outlines the changes to the landscape of our region over the past 500 years, from the Dissolution of the Monasteries through the 'Agricultural Revolution', to the rise of modern agriculture and forestry. While the need to maintain food supply is paramount, the course will outline the impacts on both human society and on the loss of semi-natural habitats such as heathland, ancient woodland, and chalk grassland. There will be a case study of the New Forest that will explore the origins, management and habitats that are to be explored through the New Forest landscape.

## **Course description**

The region known as Wessex is remarkable for its range of landscape types, and for its valued landscapes and semi-natural habitats. This course integrates the main components of landscape history, particularly the geology, soils, hydrology, and ecology and how these are utilised and impacted by human society, including climate change. Since 1500, history demonstrates changes from a medieval economy, dominated by the church and aristocracy, to one that was largely 'privatised'; through enclosure; while the New Forest became, in effect, state land.

## **What financial support is available?**

We don't want anything to stand in your way when it comes to bringing Adult learning within reach so if you need anything to support you to achieve your goals then speak to one of our education experts during your enrolment journey. Most of our courses are government funded but if you don't qualify or need alternative financial help to access them then let us know.

## **What other support is available?**

All of our digital content, teaching and learning activities and assessments are designed to be accessible so if you need any additional support you can discuss this with the education experts during your enrolment journey and we will do all we can to make sure you have optimal access.

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