

## Course details

### Course title

History: Highlights of Saxon Archaeology

### Course code

Q00011695

### Course date

Start: 17/09/24

End: 19/11/24

### Number of classes

10 sessions

### Timetable

Tue 17th Sep, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 24th Sep, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 1st Oct, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 8th Oct, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 15th Oct, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 22nd Oct, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 29th Oct, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 5th Nov, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 12th Nov, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 19th Nov, 10:30 to 12:30

### Branch

Louth Branch

### Tutor

Simon Tomson

### Fee range

Free to £84.00

## 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

The Salvation Army Church & Community Ce  
13 Church Street  
Louth  
LN11 9BS

## Level of study

Beginners

## Course overview

Why was Britain's genetic make-up radically changed between 500 and 800 AD/CE? Were the newcomers environmental refugees, pagan plunderers, invaders or missionaries? Who were these new arrivals and what were they doing over here? This course will use recent information on sites, finds and their interpretation to shed new light on Anglo-Saxon Age archaeology in Britain. How and why the migrations took place will be illustrated using new (since 1980) excavation evidence, metal detecting finds, scientific analysis and aerial remote sensing data.

## Course description

Britain's genetic make-up radically changed between 500 and 800 AD/CE. Recent cemetery excavations at Wendover (Bucks) and Harpole (Northants) have changed our thinking: were the newcomers environmental refugees, pagan plunderers, invaders or missionaries? The answers are hinted at by the analysis of excavated materials – why are we finding ivory and garnet, and how did it get here? How and why the migrations took place will be illustrated using new (since 1980) excavation evidence, metal detecting finds (Staffordshire Hoard), scientific analysis and aerial remote sensing data. The course will use recent information on sites, finds and their interpretation to shed new light on Anglo-Saxon archaeology in Britain. Modules will include Anglo-Saxon arrivals 450-700 AD/CE; recent AngloSaxon cemeteries (Wendover and Harpole); Rendlesham (Suffolk); Lyminge (Kent), a Saxon Royal Centre; the Staffordshire Hoard; the Garnet Question, and the West of Britain.

## 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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