

## **Archaeology Training Workshop (Heritage and Museum Skills)**



### **Participant Information**

Interested in stories, problem solving, history, the outdoors or archaeology? Join Archaeologist from Museum of London Archaeology to explore and record the remains of a medieval castle on the island.

The first 45 minutes of the workshop will be spent learning how to identify archaeological remains and features in the landscape as well as how to use the tools and surveys archaeologists employ to record them

In the second hour, participants will be led on short excursion to locate a significant archaeological feature which survives in Queenborough. They will apply their new recording skills to record parts of the in-situ archaeology in teams or on their own if preferred.

\*Participants who are aged 18 -25 and not in current employment or further education will have any public transport costs reimbursed at the event when they show a valid ticket. Snacks and refreshments provided throughout.



## Location and Time

**5<sup>th</sup> June, 2026**

**First session for SEN College and Local NEETS - 11:00 am to 1:00 pm**

Holy Trinity Church

High St, Queenborough ME11 5EP, United Kingdom

Google maps: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/FpFT4JirRdVpFBfy9>

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**Open Session mostly for young people 18 – 25 \*under 18's must be accompanied by an adult or legal guardian. We will have some spaces for families and interested members of the public. 2pm – 4pm  
\*10 participants max**

**Castle Connections Community Centre\* Subject to change**

## Important information prior to arrival:

1. there will be image permissions forms for you to sign so please do arrive promptly to get these completed. The photos may be used by MOLA and our partners in publicity, dissemination events and evaluation reports. This may include social media. If you do not want to be included in any photos or filming, please let the team know. This will not prevent you from taking part in the activity.
2. A weather check will take place 48 hours and 24 hours prior to the event. The event may be cancelled at these points if there are weather warnings/ the weather is generally foul. Coasts in Mind will notify Sheppey Matters and Oasis Hub of any cancellations and they will communicate rescheduled dates to participants accordingly.

## Public Transport

Queenborough Railway Station and Bus Stop is a 6 minute walk away from the museum.

## Facilities

Queenborough Museum has accessible public toilet and handwashing facilities. We are spending the first hour of the workshop at this location and returning here for the end of the event.

## Clothing & Equipment

Please wear outdoor clothing that is suitable for the weather conditions on the day you will be attending. We have experienced very heavy rain, cold winds, and extreme sun on the site, so it is best to be prepared for the British climate which can change dramatically during the course of a single day! A sun-hat, or form of head covering and sun cream, is recommended in season, as is a waterproof jacket or poncho. For wintertime activities, it is recommended to wear layers so that you can remain cool during indoor activities/ sections and wrap up for outdoor activities. In the spring and summer, as you may be working in long grass, you might prefer long trousers that can be tucked into socks, as well as insect repellent.



It is important that you wear good, sturdy shoes or boots (e.g. walking boots) as the ground can be uneven. Wellies should always be considered in winter as marshes and trails tend to get quite sodden (often surface water) in relation to weather.

Please bring plenty of water and a reusable coffee cup with you if you can. We will provide snacks and refreshments including tea, coffee.

We will also provide all necessary workshop equipment including a free British Archaeology Jobs Resource Skills Passport but we would encourage you to bring your own notebooks.

### **Health & Safety**

For your own safety, please listen carefully to all instructions given to you by members of staff. Please make us aware of any medical conditions, health concerns and access needs prior to the event and remember to go at a comfortable pace, taking plenty of breaks. Members of staff will be on hand to assist where needed. A safety briefing referencing the relevant Risk Assessment will be given prior to activities.

### **First Aid**

Harry Farmer is the group's trained First Aider. Should you be taken ill, get injured whilst on site, or have a 'near miss' please report to Harry. A first aid kit alongside other safety equipment will be with the facilitators at all times.

**Insurance:** These events are covered by MOLA's liability Insurance Policy.

**We are looking forward to what will be a relaxed and enjoyable day with you all. For any further info please email us at [cim@mola.org.uk](mailto:cim@mola.org.uk). Here are some useful points to bear in mind:**

- Do try to bring a reusable cup to help us with our sustainability aims and to enjoy a cup of tea/coffee and some posh biscuits
- Do be aware of members of the public, livestock and wildlife when out on site
- Do bring and drink sufficient water, especially if the weather is warm
- Do be respectful of other volunteers, staff and members of the public
- We will provide sunscreen but do bring your own aspirin/paracetamol tablets and insect repellent as the site First Aid kits will NOT contain these
- Do make us aware of any medical conditions that we ought to know about
- Do be aware of your surroundings as we may be accessing some features 'off-path'.
- Don't smoke/vape or consume alcohol during the event
- Don't attend if you have tested positive for COVID-19
- Do join us for a free catered lunch after the event between 1 – 1:30