

OXFORDSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION (OLHA)

Looking for the Anglo-Saxons in Oxfordshire

**AGM & Study Day, Saturday 17th May 2014
at the Wantage Civic Hall, Portway, Wantage OX12 9BX**

Birthplace of Alfred the Great, Wantage is an attractive market town near the Ridgeway in the Vale of the White Horse. There are many interesting independent shops, a huge secondhand bookshop and a Saturday market around Alfred's statue.

9.30 Coffee and registration

10.00 OLHA Annual General Meeting

10.30 The Anglo-Saxons in Oxfordshire and the Thames Valley: an overview

Anne Dodd manages post-excavation research and publications for *Oxford Archaeology*, and has built one of the most successful publication departments in UK archaeology. She is a specialist in the urban development of Oxford and the archaeology of the Thames Valley, and edited *Oxford Before the University* (Oxford Archaeology 2003).

11.30 Break

11.45 New work on Anglo-Saxon perceptions of landscape: The South Oxfordshire Project

Stephen Miles is a research fellow at the History Faculty of Oxford University and a former assistant editor of the *Victoria County History of Oxfordshire*. He has a particular interest in the interaction between social values and the organisation of landscape in the Middle Ages.

1.00 Lunch

The town has many old inns and cafes around the market square. The Museum also serves light lunches inside, or if fine on its patio at the rear.

2.30 – Visit to the Vale and Downland Museum (included in fee)

4.00 A guide will introduce the exhibits and show us the Anglo-Saxon objects, which include a replica of the “Alfred Jewel” and remains from a high-status female burial. A self-guided town walk is also available (including the Letcombe Brook and the former home of John Betjeman).

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Booking for *Looking for the Anglo-Saxons in Oxfordshire*, Saturday 17th May 2014

Please book and pay on-line at: www.olha.org.uk/?page_id=40

OR complete this form and send it with a cheque for the total amount (£12 per person) made payable to ‘OLHA’ to: Liz Woolley, 138 Marlborough Road, Oxford OX1 4LS (01865 242760, membership@olha.org.uk)

Name(s)

Name of local society if applicable

No. places at **£12 each** Your e-mail address

Please tick this box if you would like an acknowledgement by e-mail:

The largest car park is at Wantage Civic Hall (Up to 6 hours £4.30, over 6 hours £5.30)

Buses: Stagecoach X30 and 31/34 from Oxford and Abingdon. Thames Travel 32 from Didcot

