

BASINGSTOKE ARCHAEOLOGICAL GROUP

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You may be interested to know that the Basingstoke Archaeological Group is about to be re-formed. We are planning the trial excavation of a site near the Black Dam which is known from an aerial photograph and which will soon be developed as a new housing estate. The excavation will take place on the weekends:

28th to 30th August (Bank Holiday)
4th and 5th September
11th and 12th September 1971.

It is very much an exploratory dig, one of the aims being to discover if this site is related to a neighbouring Iron Age/Roman farming settlement already excavated. It is also intended as a training dig to give newcomers some idea of methods and techniques.

Although we don't expect the excavation to be hazardous, in the interests of safety children under 14 should be accompanied by an adult.

Later in the year the Group hopes to take part in the excavation of a medieval site organised by the Department of the Environment (Ministry of Public Building and Works).

An inaugural meeting for the Basingstoke Archaeological Group will take place:

at Chute House, Basingstoke
at 7.30 pm
on Thursday, 19th July 1971.

Please come and bring any friends who may also be interested. If you cannot come but would like to take part in the excavation, please contact me at the address below.

Yours sincerely,

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