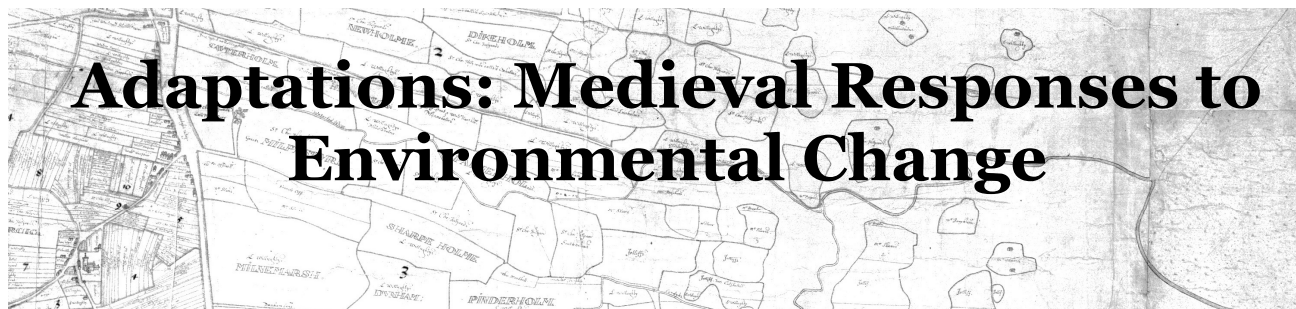


MEDIEVAL SETTLEMENT RESEARCH GROUP

Spring Conference 2025

to be held in Attenborough Lecture Theatre 1, University of Leicester,

Saturday 7th – Sunday 8th June 2025



Adaptations: Medieval Responses to Environmental Change

09:30 Registration

10:00 **Carenza Lewis**, University of Lincoln

“Climate control malfunction: please adjust your settlements” – what can ceramic data tell us about the impact of climate change during the long medieval millennium?

10:30 **Paul Shaw**, University of Leicester

Farming adaptations made by Scandinavian migrants to the English East Midlands between the ninth and eleventh century

11:15 Refreshments

11:30 **Tudur Davies**, Cardiff University

Under pressure: the people on the edge of the Peaks

12:00 **Louise Kennedy**, University of East Anglia

Easton Bavents c.1450-c.1524: a microstudy of the rise and fortune of a maritime community experiencing dynamic coastal change

12.30 **Michael Gilbert**, University of Leicester

Responding to a changing world: the siltlands of the Isle of Ely in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries

13:15 Lunch

14:00 **David Oates**, Histon & Impington Archaeology Group

Clinging to the Upper Fen Edge: the villages of Histon and Impington, Cambridgeshire

14:30 **Sam Turner**, Newcastle University

Were agricultural terraces an adaptation to environmental change in the medieval Mediterranean?

15:15 Refreshments

15:30 **Susan Kilby**, University of Nottingham

Living with change: the dynamic later medieval landscape of Alrewas in Staffordshire

16:00 **Thomas Lucking**, University of East Anglia

From cattle and spelt to sheep, barley and rabbits: settlement and land use change in the East Anglian Breckland from the end of Roman Britain to the post-medieval

16:45 Summary

17:00 Close

Sunday 8th June 2025 – Field-trip to East Leicestershire, the Wreake Valley and Charnwood Forest

Conference fee: members **Saturday fee £25, Sunday field-trip £6**. Non-members: **Saturday fee £35, Sunday field-trip £15**

For all enquiries, including directions to the venue, please contact Dr Susan Kilby at the above address or by email to sk565@leicester.ac.uk. For those needing accommodation there are a number of hotels in the centre of Leicester.