

# Saxons and Vikings in Devon and Somerset

Strode Theatre, Strode College, Church Road, Street,  
Somerset, BA16 0AB

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2017

9.30-16.30

£20 including buffet lunch and tea/coffee. Concessions £17.  
Book through Strode Theatre (booking essential as tickets  
cannot be purchased on the day) [01458 442846](tel:01458442846).

<http://www.strodetheatre.org.uk/>

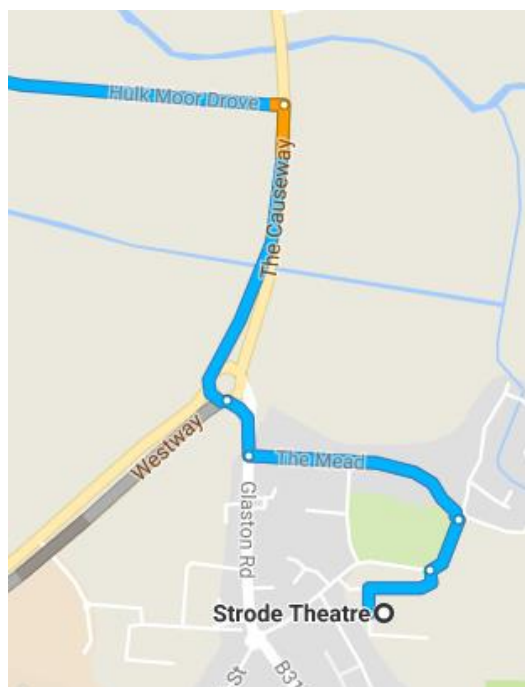
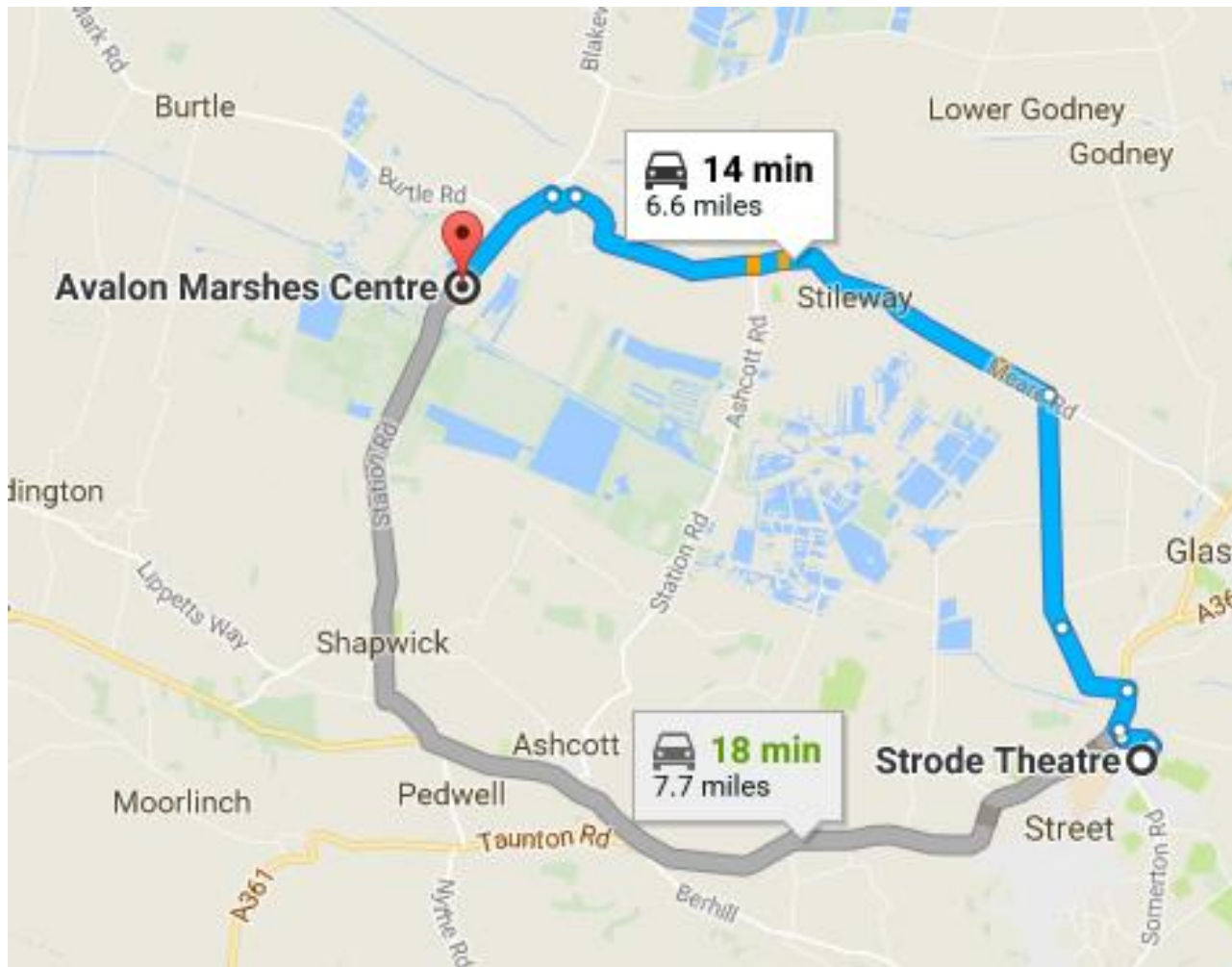


In the morning session four papers will explore the archaeological evidence for the Saxons and Vikings in Devon and Somerset. In the afternoon three papers will take a broader view of the complex issues of power, religion, ethnicity and identity in Anglo-Scandinavian England.

Books will be on sale in the breaks.

| Speaker   | Title  | Time        |
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| Introduction and welcome (Bob Croft chair)  |  | 9.50-10.00  |
| Richard Brunning<br>(South West Heritage Trust)   | <i>'In the soggy footsteps of King Alfred. Saxon archaeology in the wetland heart of Somerset'</i>                                     | 10.00-10.35 |
| Bill Horner (Devon County Council)  | <i>'Hillforts, marshforts, iron and stone: Some thoughts on recent archaeological work in Devon'</i>                                   | 10.35-11.10 |
| <b>Tea/coffee</b>   |  | 11.10-11.40 |
| Rob Webley and Laura Burnett (Portable Antiquities Scheme)  | <i>'Insights into early-medieval metalwork in Somerset and Devon: the Portable Antiquities Scheme evidence'</i>                        | 11.40-12.20 |
| Derek Gore (University of Exeter)   | <i>'The Vikings in the West Country'</i>   | 12.20-13.00 |
| <b>Lunch</b>  |  | 13.00-14.00 |
| Michael Costen (Univ of Bristol)  | <i>'Radix Malorum est Cupiditas': Growing wealth in tenth and eleventh century Anglo-Saxon England and its unintended consequences</i> | 14.00-14.40 |
| Lesley Abrams (University of Oxford)  | <i>'Vikings and Other Scandinavians in Southern England'</i>   | 14.40-15.20 |
| <b>Tea/coffee</b>   |  | 15.20-15.50 |
| Paul Gazzoli (University of Cambridge)  | <i>'England through Danish Eyes in the 11th Century'</i>   | 15.50-16.30 |
| Optional tour of the reconstruction Saxon longhall at the <b>Avalon Marshes Centre</b> (c.15 mins by car from the conference venue) |  | 17.00-18.00 |

Note: travel to and from the Avalon Marshes Centre (BA6 9TT) will not be provided unless specifically requested beforehand. Travel directions are below;



### Strode Theatre

Strode College, Church Rd, Street BA16 0AB

- > Take The Mead to Glaston Rd/B3151  
2 min (0.3 mi)
- > Take The Causeway/A39 to Hulk Moor Drive  
59 s (0.3 mi)
- > Take Back River Drive to Meare Rd/B3151  
3 min (1.9 mi)
- > Continue on B3151. Drive to Shapwick Rd  
8 min (4.1 mi)

### Avalon Marshes Centre

Shapwick Rd, Westhay, Glastonbury BA6 9TT