

SPALDING GENTLEMEN'S SOCIETY
SYMPOSIUM

Saturday 13th April 2019

Understanding Fenland Landscape and Society: Past and Present
Broad Street Methodist Church, Spalding

Purpose:

To provide an opportunity to review the latest research into the landscape and society of the Fenland from the Roman to the Early Modern period. It will also highlight the role of Spalding Gentlemen's Society as a centre for local research.

09:30	Registration
10:00	Opening Remarks Dr Richard Jones
10:30 – 12:15	Fenland People and Settlement
Professor Stephen Upex	Roman administration of the Fenland and the Castor Praetorium.
Dr Avril Lumley-Prior	Peakirk: a medieval community on the Fen edge.
Dr Susan Kilby	Making a living in the Fens: how the other half lived in later medieval Lakenheath. Discussion
12:15 – 13:30	Lunch Tours of Spalding Gentlemen's Society
13:30 – 14:45	Medieval and Early Modern Fenland Landscapes
Professor Michael Chisholm	Fenland Landscape and Waterways.
Dr John Morgan	Managing water in the Fens: early modern courts of sewers. Discussion
14:45 – 15:00	Break
15:00 – 16:15	Local Research and Resources
Dr Michael Gilbert	Medieval Spalding Project.
Dr Dustin Frazier-Wood	Hidden treasures: the value of local archives. Discussion
16:15 – 16:30	Closing Remarks Professor Michael Chisholm
16:30	End