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Joe Fitzpatrick on 'The Archaeology of East Lomond'

7 p.m. Wednesday 11 December 2019

at the Chapel Royal, Falkland Palace KY15 7BY

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All welcome, retiring collection.

Note there is a flight of stairs up to the Chapel Royal: moreover you are advised to bring a torch as you will be exiting the property via the turret door on the lawn.

Joe Fitzpatrick, FSA Scot commissioned and was Project Director for the two major Community Archaeology Projects on East Lomond in 2017 and 2019 on behalf of the Falkland Stewardship Trust (FST). The projects were entitled 'Connecting Communities to the Ancient Landscape', and he engaged Dr Oliver O'Grady as Lead Archaeologist for the excavations.



Joe has been an FST Trustee since his retirement from local government five years ago and was elected at the October Board meeting as the new Trust Chairman. He retired as a Head of Service with Fife Council having held that position within both the Education and Communities Services of the Council. He is Chairman of the Fife Field Archaeology Network and also participates in the First Millennia Studies Group at the University of Edinburgh.

The archaeological work on East Lomond has energised and fascinated many people in Fife and beyond, and a number of locals have signed up as volunteers. Fife's secondary schools have been important and enthusiastic participants in the excavations. Support from the National Museum of Scotland and Historic Environment Scotland has also proved invaluable to our understanding of this previously unknown but remarkable site. Joe's talk will take stock of this journey of discovery, summarising previous excavations and having a first look at what was revealed on the hill during the 2019 programme. Come along and hear more!