

# 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/>

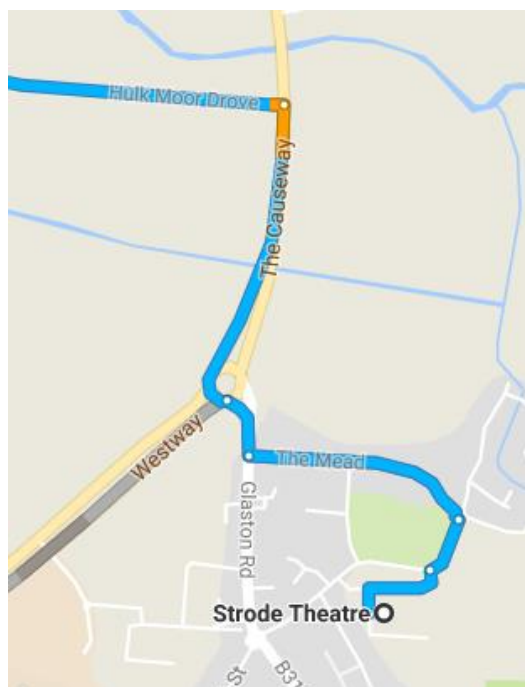
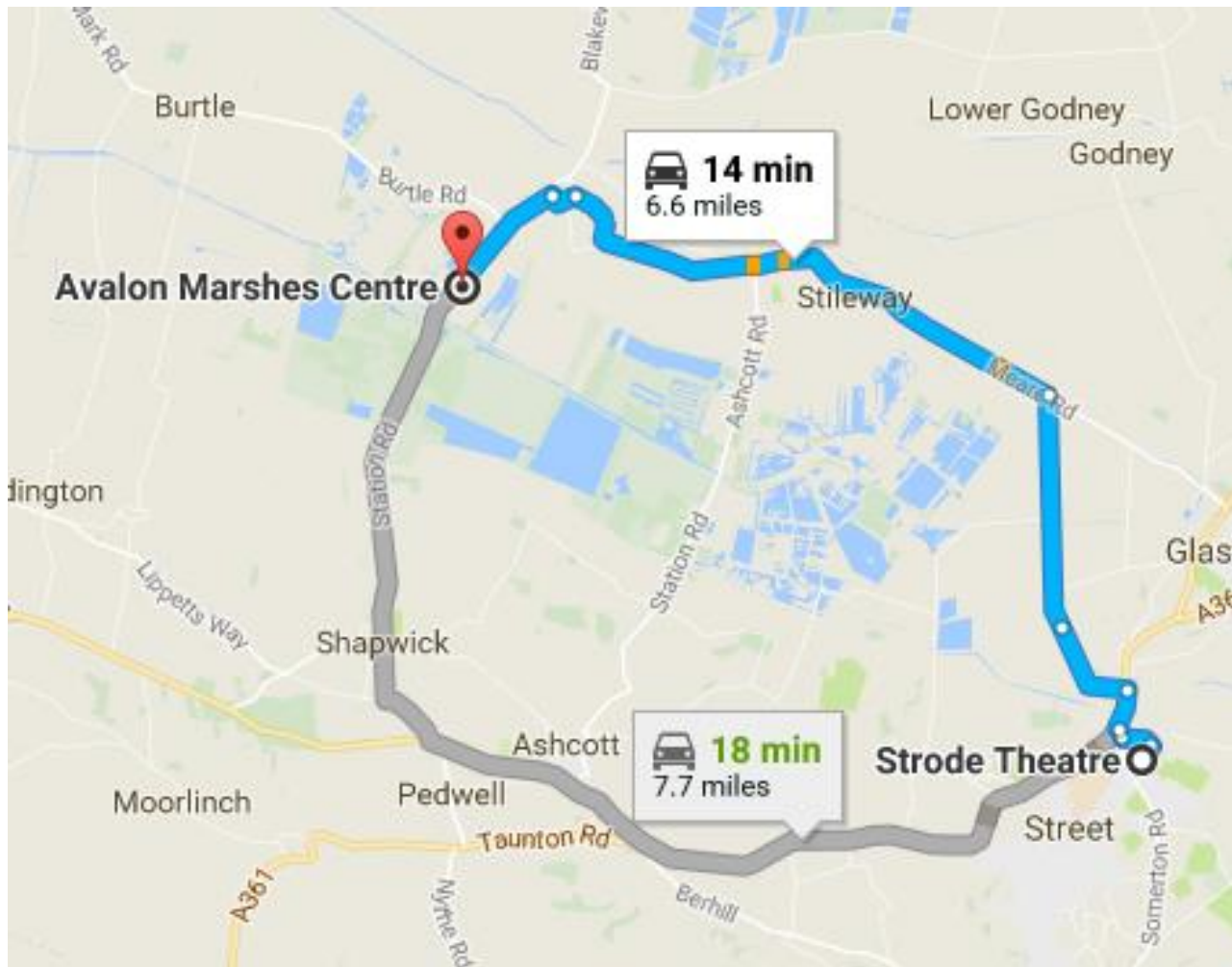


In the morning session four papers will explore the archaeological evidence for the Saxons and Vikings in Devon and Somerset. In the afternoon three papers will take a broader view of the complex issues of power, religion, ethnicity and identity in Anglo-Scandinavian England.

Books will be on sale in the breaks.

Speaker	Title	Time
Introduction and welcome (Bob Croft chair)		9.50-10.00
Richard Brunning (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

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- > Take The Mead to Glaston Rd/B3151  
2 min (0.3 mi)
- > Take The Causeway/A39 to Hulk Moor Drove  
59 s (0.3 mi)
- > Take Back River Drove 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