



Members eBulletin, January 2020

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.....and don't forget to book your place at [CIfA2020](#) and join us to discuss what more we can all do to promote the profession and our professionalism

CIfA news

Subscription renewal information for 2020/21

I hope you all had a lovely Christmas!

It's that time of year when I am starting to prepare the subscription renewal details, and notices for 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 will be emailed to members by the end of February. Your subscription renewals and fees will be due by **1 April 2020**.

In order to renew online you will need to log in to our website, so it is a good idea to check you can log in ahead of receiving your renewal notice.

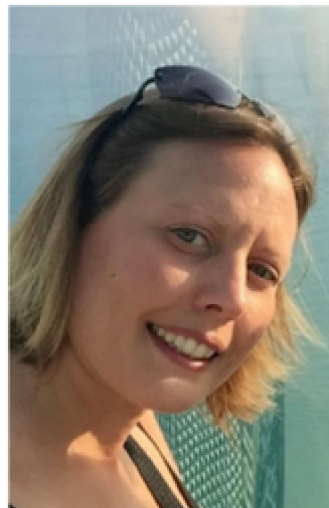
Having problems logging in? Your username for the website is your first name and last name, i.e. laura beasley. If you have forgotten your password and need to reset this, you can do so by following [these instructions](#). If you need to change your email address associated with your log in details to receive the password reset email please let us know, or we can reset your password for you.

Being part of a professional body isn't just about products, discounts and services, but it's always useful to know that CIfA membership is [tax deductible](#) and gives you a [15% discount from Cotswold Outdoor!](#)

We also provide [concessionary rates](#) on our subscription fees for accredited professionals.

Wishing you all the best for 2020 and hoping you will renew your subscription for another year!

Laura Beasley, Office and Subscriptions Coordinator



Advocacy interview with Rob Lennox

Rob is CIfA's Senior Policy Advisor. The role is about CIfA's external affairs, chiefly focussed on advocacy. The post engages with one of CIfA's key operational roles; influencing the policy environment for archaeology and building relationships with decision-makers and other parts of the heritage sector. [Read Rob's full interview here.](#)

Communicating and engaging outside archaeology

CIfA communicates and engages with a range of audiences outside the archaeology profession to enhance the profile and reputation of the profession, to increase its impact and influence and to improve engagement with external audiences.



External audiences include government, clients, the property and construction sectors, academia, the media and the public, plus other professionals that have a close interaction with archaeologists such as surveyors, architects and planners.

In this article we focus on our work to communicate and engage with the planning profession.

Apprenticeships update

In England, Historic Environment Trailblazer Apprenticeship Standards have now been approved for delivery by the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (IfATE) for five areas of practice: Archaeological Technician (Level 3), Archaeological Specialist (Level 7), Historic Environment Advice Assistant (Level 4), Conservation Technician (Level 4) and Conservator (Level 7). A final Historic Environment Advisor Standard (Level 7) is expected to be approved shortly.

We are working with Historic England and colleagues in the Trailblazer Steering Group to identify training providers to work with employers on the delivery of the new Standards. The first Historic Environment Advice Assistant apprentices are already in place, **see here for details**, and we expect recruitment for the first apprentices under both the archaeology standards to begin this spring.

Progress with the development of a Modern Apprenticeship in Scotland has continued apace, led by an Archaeology Skills Panel representing key employers, supported by Cara Jones, CIfA's Senior Professional Development Coordinator in Scotland, working closely with Skills Development Scotland. The panel is in the process of developing content for a Professional Development Award to support the apprenticeship and is hoping that development work on the Modern Apprenticeship itself will be completed by the end of the year.

If you would like to find out more about apprenticeships, you can contact **Anna Welch** (Trailblazers, England) or **Cara Jones** (Modern Apprenticeships, Scotland)

Archaeology Training Forum Award

Nominations for the Archaeology Training Forum Award 2020 are now open! Nomination forms can be found on the [ATF website](#) where you will also find more information on the work of the Forum. If you've been involved in a project with training at its heart and feel it deserves recognition then look out for the call for nominations. The award will be presented at the [CIfA annual conference](#), 22-24 April 2020, to be held at the Apex City of Bath Hotel.



The Archaeology Training Forum has been recognising excellence and innovation in training, learning and professional development since 2011 through its annual ATF Training Award. Judged by a panel of ATF members including representatives from CIfA, CBA, the national agencies and FAME, it is open to organisations and individuals in both the paid and voluntary sectors. The aim of the Award is to promote the importance and value of training to the discipline as a whole and a wide range of very diverse organisations have had their contribution to learning, training and professional development recognised.

You can find more information on the work of [the Forum here](#)

Planning your career: understanding Personal Development Plans and Continuing Professional Development

CIfA has launched a new e-guidance module as part of our developing suite of e-learning and e-guidance information.

The module will help you understand how to set out your Personal Development Plan (PDP) and identify relevant Continuing Professional Development (CPD) to support this, allowing you to gain the skills, knowledge and experience to develop your career and reputation.

The module is available on the website via our [e-learning page](#).



The Archaeologist

The latest edition of *The Archaeologist* (soon to be arriving through your letterbox) is guest edited by our Human Osteoarchaeology Group committee. The articles included in the magazine look at the ethical issues osteoarchaeologists face on a daily basis, for example when dealing with the analysis and archiving of human remains, the use of human remains in imagery, or with engaging and informing local communities during the excavation of burials grounds.

They also highlight the wide range of rapidly developing techniques available to osteoarchaeologists, which allow us to continually learn more about past societies and the individuals who were part of them.

As specialists, osteoarchaeologists can provide expert advice on the current and relevant techniques available and the ethical considerations around human remains. Their early engagement in archaeological projects is not just essential as part of excavation, recovery and analysis, but it is also crucial for ensuring that the correct provisions in terms of handling, processing and storage are in place.

Call for articles for The Archaeologist 110 and 111

The upcoming themes for the next editions of TA are about Our archaeological legacy and Skills Diversity. Further information about these and the deadlines for submission are on [The Archaeologist](#) webpage.

New website - members' area

We have recently launched our new look website, if you haven't seen it already you can [take a look here](#).

When you login using the 'CIfA member? Sign in' button on the top right hand-side (Username is your first and last name) you can now access the **CIfA members' area. Here you can:**

Update your contact details - if you have moved house or changed jobs

Change your password - as often as you wish

View your Dashboard - to see your subscription details and renew each year

View the [members' area](#) - to see useful links and information about being part of the Institute. This is also a useful place to start if you are new to CIfA. This includes information about **Continuing Professional Development (CPD), consultations, professional practice papers and [ethics resources](#).**

Plus details about [getting involved with the Institute's work](#), **news bulletins and wellbeing.**

If you have any problems logging in or suggestions for improving the website, please get in touch at admin@archaeologists.net.

Book reviews



For past reviews and current books available for review please [see our website](#). This page will require you to login, please contact admin@archaeologists.net if you have trouble signing in.

If you are interested in providing a review, or if you have a book you would like to have reviewed, please get in touch with [Laura Beasley](#), our reviews editor.

CIfA Group news/ events / training opportunities

CIfA2020 - Bookings now open!



CIfA2020 Promoting our profession

22-24 April 2020, Apex City of Bath Hotel, Bath

At CIfA2020 we will be looking to the future and asking what more can we do to promote the profession and our professionalism.

To find out more go to our [event page](#) or [click here](#) to book your place. Please ensure you login first before completing your booking.

Don't forget your 10% discount code if you are a CIfA member and work for a CIfA Registered Organisation!

For group bookings please complete the form on the event page.

If you have any queries please get in touch with Elizabeth at conference@archaeologists.net

Keep up-to-date with all our training opportunities on our [events calendar page](#).

BAP present: Digital Heritage: understanding lost or changed structures through immersive technology

11 February, York

Ethics workshop on tour

19 February, Birmingham

Booking page to follow

BAP present: Linking the visible and the invisible: excavation and building analysis in York

10 March, York

Inspiring Equality: Visions for the Future of Heritage Practice Group AGM

13 March, Venue TBC

How prepared are we for the digital future? Archives Group AGM

18 March, Birmingham

BAP present: Traditional buildings: construction marks and ritual marks

12 May, York

BAP present: Conservation in action: engagement and participation

14 July, York

BAP present: What's the contribution of the National Amenity Societies?

08 September, York

BAP present: The ADS's voyage into expanding its dissemination of digital archives

10 November, York

Other news and events

Places of Worship in Britain and Ireland: Prehistoric and Roman

Where:

Rewley House, 1 Wellington Square, Oxford, OX1 2JA

When:

Fri 31 Jan 2020 - Sun 02 Feb 2020

6.30pm Friday - 1.00pm Sunday

For full details please [click here](#)

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