



# Merseyside Archaeological Society Newsletter 2/2016

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## A short note from the Editor:

This 2-page Newsletter is a special addition to give you further information regarding the forthcoming MAS Conference which is being organised by the Society in partnership with the Museum of Liverpool. There is also some news about work to be undertaken by NML as a part of the Galkoff's and Pembroke Place project and how to become a volunteer. The next Newsletter will appear in September and contain details of our Autumn lecture programme and the usual news articles.

### Past Forward Celebrating Forty Years of Merseyside Archaeological Society

8th and 9th October 2016  
Museum of Liverpool, Education Room 3

A full two-day Conference organised by Merseyside Archaeological Society in partnership with the Museum of Liverpool to be held on the 8th and 9th October 2016 at the Museum of Liverpool

Since the formation of the Society in 1976 much has changed in the state of knowledge of the archaeology of Merseyside. Using a combination of short lectures, workshops, discussion groups and tours, the Conference will review the evolution of archaeology on Merseyside over the last 40 years. It will look back on the way in which the Society has worked with local communities and institutions within and outside Merseyside to advance archaeological research and deliver a series of successful projects. The role of Merseyside Archaeological Society and other local society engagement in research, advocacy and governance in archaeology will be explored. The Conference will also look forward into the next decade to envisage the challenges and opportunities that await and how the Society might have to adapt in order to build on its past achievements.

Merseyside Archaeological Society has brought together a prominent group of speakers with local, regional and national interests who will describe their experiences of working with the Society and how these successful collaborations might continue over the coming years. Attendees will have the opportunity to describe any memories of their involvement with the Society and will be able to put forward their ideas for the future of archaeology on Merseyside.

Invited speakers include Gill Chitty, University of York; Ben Croxford, Merseyside Environmental Advisory Service; Peter Davey; Mike Heyworth, Director CBA; Rob Lennox, University of York; Mike Nevell, Head of Archaeology, University of Salford; Jamie Quartermaine, Oxford Archaeology North and Norman Redhead, Heritage Management Director, University of Salford.

Discussions on Community Archaeology, Young Archaeologists, and the Portable Antiquities Scheme will take place at scheduled Workshops. Free guided tours of the

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Old Dock and the Museum of Liverpool are included in the ticket. A drinks reception will be held at the Baltic Fleet pub on the Saturday evening.

The Conference is open to all and no prior knowledge of archaeology is required. A choice of Weekend and Day tickets will be available, including a discount for MAS members. The full Conference programme is due to be issued within the next few weeks and will be e-mailed or posted to Society members together with a booking form. There is also a facility to book place(s) on-line via Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/d/united-kingdom--liverpool/merseyside-archaeology/?crt=regular&sort=best>

## **Funding Support for Local Heritage**

### ***Galkoff's and the Secret Life of Pembroke Place project wins Heritage Lottery Fund support.***

Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine (LSTM) and National Museums Liverpool have received initial support from the Heritage Lottery Fund to support a collaborative project looking at two important heritage sites on LSTM's campus. Galkoff's and the Secret Life of Pembroke Place is a project that will, over the coming months, investigate the history of Court Housing and the former Galkoff's butchers shop, situated opposite LSTM's original 1914 building. Galkoff's butchers shop opened in 1907 and was a supplier of kosher foods to the passenger ships that sailed to and from Liverpool including Titanic. The 1930s green faience tiles are a distinctive feature on Pembroke Place, but have been falling off the derelict building over the past 20 years. Development funding of £52,400 has been awarded to help LSTM and National Museums Liverpool carry out exploratory work with local people and organisations to progress plans and apply for a full grant next year.

Assistant Mayor and City Centre Councillor Nick Small said, "I'm really pleased the grant has been secured from the Heritage Lottery Fund. This will allow all the partners involved to develop an excellent project and involve members of the public, as well as building a strong case for further support from the Heritage Lottery Fund." If successful in attracting further funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund, the project will undertake extensive research into both sites on Pembroke Place, revealing stories of life in this area from the late 19th century to present day. Archaeological investigations will unearth evidence of how people lived in the Court Housing, the only example left in Liverpool and one of the few examples of this housing type that remains in the UK. The proposed project would see the removal of Galkoff's historic tiles from a rapidly deteriorating building, conduct essential conservation works and remount the tiles in a new installation, alongside a Secret Life of Pembroke Place display within The People's Republic gallery at the Museum of Liverpool.

There is now an opportunity to give this historically important local business a prominent place in the city's award-winning Museum of Liverpool, which receives about 750,000 visitors each year. Education activities, including workshops and talks will also allow the public and local schools to learn more about this unique history and become involved with the project. Janet Dugdale, Director of the Museum of Liverpool, said: "We're very pleased to have been granted a first round pass by the Heritage Lottery Fund for this important project. Exploration of both the beautiful frontage of Galkoff's and the remains of court housing at the rear, will unlock fascinating information about the people who lived in and around the area. Our curators and dedicated project team will be working closely with LSTM and the local community on this next stage to build a deeper understanding of the work required to create a meaningful interpretation and legacy of both Galkoff's and Pembroke Place."

All work will be supported by a team of volunteers. Janet continues: "We are particularly interested in working with people from Liverpool's Jewish community and local historians who are familiar with the area and may have knowledge of the secret life of Pembroke Place. We have a public consultation event taking place at the Museum of Liverpool on Sunday 18 September 2016 at 2pm, so please do also contact us if you would like to attend to discover more about the project, provide feedback or register as a volunteer."

Email enquiries about the project and becoming a volunteer can be sent to: [museumofliverpool@liverpoolmuseums.org.uk](mailto:museumofliverpool@liverpoolmuseums.org.uk)