# Royal Archaeological Institute and Tees Heritage Trust Joint Conference: A Neolithic Salt Production Site at Street House, Loftus, North-East Yorkshire 13–15 September 2024

The Trinity Centre, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough TS3 6LD and Loftus Town Hall TS13 4HG

# **Neolithic Salt Production Conference – FAQs**

# What is included in the conference fee?

In addition to the lectures on the Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday events, the fee includes Friday evening buffet and Sunday late afternoon salad buffet, Saturday and Sunday buffet lunch, and return transport between central Middlesbrough and Loftus on Sunday. Transportation must be requested on the Registration Form at the time of booking. Please note that if you choose to stay outside of central Middlesbrough you will need to arrange your own transport for Sunday.

## What is NOT included in the conference fee?

Accommodation is not included in the conference fee. It is the delegate's responsibility to book their own accommodation. Saturday evening meal is not included in the conference fee.

### How do I get there?

If you are arriving by train from Darlington: Middlesbrough train station is situated within the town centre and taxis are available to take you to your hotel and to the Friday evening and Saturday lecture venue at the Trinity Centre, James Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough TS3 6LD. Return transport can be arranged to take you from Middlesbrough to Loftus on the Sunday if necessary. Details will be announced on the Saturday. If you choose to stay outside of central Middlesbrough you will need to arrange your own transport for Sunday.

If you are arriving by private car: there is parking at the Friday evening and Saturday lecture venue at the Trinity Centre, James Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough TS3 6LD. Free parking will be available in Loftus near the Town Hall, with additional parking near the Street House site and at the Tiger Inn, Whitby Road, Easington TS13 4NE. Parking details will be announced on the Saturday.

### Where do I stay?

There are several hotels in the centre of Middlesbrough with easy access from the train station/with parking, for example Premier Inn, Holiday Inn Express and Leonardo Hotel. There are other hotels within the town, for example, Travelodge, although this will be further away from the conference venue. Delegates are reminded that it is their responsibility to book their own accommodation. Accommodation is not included in the conference fee.

### Can I come for just one of the conference days? Or a combination of the day events?

This is a weekend conference and there is no flexibility regarding pricing or registration.

### Accessibility?

The Trinity Centre, North Ormesby, the Town Hall, Loftus, and the Tiger Inn, Easington, have accessible facilities. The site tour and circular walk are not suitable for delegates with limited mobility due to uneven terrain. Please make your needs known at the time of booking and enhanced information sheets will be provided in place of these outdoor events.

### Where can I eat on Saturday evening?

There are a number of restaurants catering for a range of budgets and tastes within easy access in the centre of Middlesbrough, mainly along Linthorpe Road.

### Special food requirements

We will be catering for special food requirements. Delegates must make food allergies/ restrictions/ preferences known at the time of booking on the Registration Form.

### Sunday afternoon walks

Please be prepared for rain. Only in the event of heavy persistent rain will the outdoor events be cancelled. All walks will be accompanied by a guide.

Loftus Town Hall to site: 30 minutes uphill approx. 2km (if you require transport please let us know). Site tour: 30–45 minutes (no seating available)

<u>Circular walk:</u> approx. 2km distance, 1 hour duration. The paths are clear but the terrain is uneven. Suitable walking shoes are recommended.

Tiger Inn: approx. 1.2km from site along a farm track, 15-minute duration

#### How do I book?

Please download and complete the Registration Form from: <u>https://teesheritage.org.uk/neolithic-salt-conference-2024/</u> Please email your completed form to <u>conference@teesheritage.org.uk</u> Please complete one registration form per person.

#### How do I Pay?

Once we have received your completed Registration Form you will be sent an invoice by email with details of how to make your payment.

Please note that payment is by BACS, International Bank Transfer or cheque. We do not accept payment by credit card. You will be invoiced according to the following rates:

Early Bird Bookings up to 28 June 2024:	£65.00 per person
Standard Rate Bookings 29 June to 23 August 2024:	£80.00 per person

For multiple bookings from the same organisation/group a single invoice can be issued *on request* so that a single payment can be made. Please give the invoice number as the reference when making a BACS transfer. If paying by cheque, please write the invoice number on the back of the cheque. Once we have received your payment you will receive a receipted invoice as confirmation of your booking.

**Students:** There may be a limited number of student places. Please apply directly to Wendy at <u>conference@teesheritage.org.uk</u> with details of your institution, course, focus of study, and whether you would be willing to assist with events (refreshments/finds/experimental archaeology) during the conference. Please indicate on the Registration Form if you would like to be considered for one of the limited student places.

#### **Cancellation?**

You will be able to claim for a full refund up to 9 August 2024 (5 weeks before the conference), but the refund will only be issued after 15 September.

### Any other questions?

Please ask Wendy at conference@teesheritage.org.uk

It is our aim to reply to your email queries within 2 days. Please also check your spam/junk folder for replies from a member of our conference admin team.

Copies of this FAQs sheet, the Conference Registration Form and the Conference Programme can be downloaded from: <u>https://teesheritage.org.uk/neolithic-salt-conference-2024/</u>



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