



Scouts 
Derbyshire

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Derbyshire Archaeology Badge Network Resource Book

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Requirements

1. Think about what you perceive archaeology to be and compare it to other people's understanding of the subject
2. Think about one of the following questions and discuss it among other Network members:
 - a. Should we dig up archaeological sites?
 - b. Can archaeology represent everyone in the past?
 - c. Should objects in museums be returned to their country of origin?
 - d. Why is it important to protect archaeological sites?
3. Help deliver the Derbyshire Archaeology Badge to a younger section
4. Choose one of these options:
 - a. Take an active part in a weeklong archaeological excavation in Derbyshire
 - b. Volunteer at a museum or archaeological site in Derbyshire for 20 hours
 - c. Raise awareness of archaeology within Derbyshire, whether it is among the Scouting community or outside, and focus on one of the following themes
 - i. Sustainability
 - ii. Environment
 - iii. Education

Breakdown

1. Think about what you perceive archaeology to be and compare it to other people's understanding of the subject

Look back at the Scout and Explorer Derbyshire Archaeology Badges, if the Network member has completed either, how has their opinion of the subject changed. If not, they should use requirement 1 from the Explorer Badge to help them gain a greater understanding of the subject.

Network members should also familiarise themselves with two of the following theories:

Processual Archaeology, Post-Processual Archaeology, Post-Colonial Archaeology, Feminist Archaeology, Cultural-Historical Archaeology

Network members should then discuss their opinions of the subject and discuss the greater topic of what role archaeology may have regarding world issues, such as climate change, migration and cultural identity.

This requirement could be completed alongside requirement 2

2. Think about one of the following questions and discuss it among other Network members:

(Talking points have been provided for each question)

a. Should we dig up archaeological sites?

Is archaeology more destructive than productive?

How do we know when to stop digging?

When have we fully recorded the past of a site?

What are some examples of an archaeological site which should not be excavated?

b. Can archaeology represent everyone in the past?

Is it possible to collect everyone's stories from the past?

Should the community be engaged in excavation?

Does diversity need to be a key focus within the archaeological community?

How is archaeology, rather than history, helpful when trying to understand multiple perspectives in the past?

c. Should objects in museums be returned to their country of origin?

What is the meaning of repatriation and why is it important?

Why might a group request for an object to be repatriated to/for them?

Who does an object belong to - The person who found it, the community who made it, the country it was found in?

Who should make decisions around repatriation?

d. Why is it important to protect archaeological sites?

Who are we protecting archaeological sites for – academics, descendants, tourists?

What can we gain from visiting archaeological sites over reading about them in a book?

Say that a new shopping centre wants to build over a site. List the advantages and disadvantages of building over an archaeological site?

How can we, as non-archaeologists, protect archaeological sites?

This requirement could be completed alongside requirement 1

3. Help deliver the Derbyshire Archaeology Badge to a younger section

It is preferable for the Network member to deliver the entire badge to a younger section.

However, if this is not possible, they should deliver at least 6 separate activities to help a younger section gain the Derbyshire Archaeology badge.

4. Choose one of these options:

a. Take an active part in an archaeological excavation in Derbyshire for a week

The Network member should take part in an archaeological excavation in Derbyshire for a week. If they are unable to do consecutive days, this requirement can be done on separate occasions at different excavations if necessary.

On the excavation they should experience/learn six of the following skills:

Skill list from requirement 4a from the Explorer Derbyshire Archaeology badge

- Use of Hand tools
- Artefact Recovery
- Recording – Context Sheet
- Stratigraphic Excavation
- Site Photography
- Surveying

Network Skills List

- Use of Large Hand tools (Spade, Shovel, Mattock, Hoe)
- Dumpy Level and Staff
- Artefacts Recording & Finds Processing
- Section Drawing
- Site Safety
- Field Walking

See Excavations Info Sheet

If the Network member has completed requirement 4a from the Explorer Derbyshire Archaeology badge they only need to complete 3 activities, but these must be from the Network skills list.

If the Network member did not complete requirement 4a from the Explorer Derbyshire Archaeology badge, 3 of the skills can be chosen from the Explorer skills list and the final 3 can be chosen from the Network skills list.

4b. Volunteer at a museum or archaeological site in Derbyshire for 20 hours

The 20 hours can be done as quickly or as slowly as the Network member wishes. The 20 hours also does not need to be completed at the same museum or site. For example, the Network member could complete 10 hours at a museum and 10 hours at a site.

Within the 20 hours the Network member should take part/carry out some sort of outreach activity with members of the public or other members of Scouting. For example, an open day at a site or museum.

If the Network member would like to complete this requirement but can only access a site or museum outside of Derbyshire this is allowed.

4c. Raise awareness of archaeology within Derbyshire, whether it is among the Scouting community or outside, and focus on one of the following themes

- i. Sustainability**
- ii. Environment**
- iii. Education**

This requirement covers a broad amount of opportunities allowing the Network member to carry out a project of their own choosing/creation.

Similar to requirement 4b, the Network member should spend at least 20 hours on this requirement.

One of the themes should be the main focus, but the Network member can include two or all three themes if they so wish.

Example Ideas:

- Run an open day for an archaeological site in Derbyshire
- Help create an exhibit at a local museum attracting an audience which doesn't usually visit
- Lead/help with a project aiming to protect a local site
- Lead/help create an educational programme

Places to Visit

A Google map has been created including many archaeological sites within Derbyshire. It also includes museums and the Scout Activity Centres situated within the county.

<https://bit.ly/32ZR4Cx>

For more information on the sites visit the Derbyshire Historic Environment Record:

<https://her.derbyshire.gov.uk/search>

It also has plenty of other sites which may not have been included in our list.

This map will constantly be updated to provide more and more sites. If you think we have missed any off the list please email:

archaeology@derbyshirescouts.org

Badge Linkup

Requirement	Awards
1	
2	
3	Wood Badge
4a	Queen Scout, DofE Residential
4b	Diamond, DofE Volunteering
4c	Diamond, Queen Scout, SOWA

This table has been created to help leaders link the activities carried out for the Derbyshire Archaeology Badge to other badge requirements. Some may not directly complete requirements from other badges but could be carried out alongside or intertwined with the requirements of that particular badge.

Badge Behaviours

A document has been created to help provide guidance on some do's and don'ts within archaeology.

The person leading any of the activities should familiarise themselves and the young people with the document before proceeding with an activity.

Treasure Law

All leaders should familiarise themselves with the treasure law in the event of a young person finding an object, whether it is during a Scouting activity or not.

<https://www.gov.uk/treasure>

In summary, if an item of treasure is found it must be reported to the Derbyshire Finds Liaison Officer within 14 days of finding it:

Maria Kneafsey, Finds Liaison Officer - 01332 641 903,
maria@derbymuseums.org

Treasure mostly equates to metallic objects but it's important to check in case you are unsure.

Beyond the Badge

They have now completed the highest level of Derbyshire Archaeology Badge. However, there are still options beyond the badge to help feed their interest. Everything from going on to study Archaeology at university, to joining the local historical society.

Future Ideas:

- Complete any activities not completed first time round
- Continue to help younger sections complete their Derbyshire Archaeology Badge
- Join your local historical society
- Volunteer at a Museum or Archaeological site
- Volunteer with the Young Archaeological Club
- Go on to study Archaeology at university

Safety

The person leading the badge and activities should make sure they have created a reasonable risk assessment before carrying out any activity.

- We have provided some safety considerations with the activity sheets that can aid with the risk assessment.

Excavations or Sites: The organisation/company leading the excavation or managing the site may be able to provide you with a precomposed risk assessment, if not they are likely to be able to provide guidance on creating one for your visit.

FAQ's

Who to contact?

If you have any problems send an email to:

archaeology@derbyshirescouts.org

Who can complete the badge?

5 different badges have been created, one for each of the sections, Beavers through to Network.

Can I run this activity with no experience in archaeology?

We do not expect you to lead this badge with any prior experience within the field of archaeology and have tried to make it as easy as possible for you to run the activities.

How to make the badge more accessible?

Like all Scout activities we want everyone to be able to take part in this badge. We have provided accessibility options for all our own activity sheets. If we haven't managed to cover all options feel free to make reasonable adjustments which allow the activity or requirement to be accessible and inclusive.

Where can I find the meaning of a word?

The Derbyshire Archaeology Badge Glossary has been created to include any archaeological term mentioned in the requirements. The definitions have been worded to suit all age groups participating in the badge. Therefore, if you are unsure of the meaning of any word please use the Glossary.

How to get hold of the badge?

We have a badge in the works, which will hopefully be available soon. But for now, please find the printable certificate on the Derbyshire Scouts website.

Where does the badge go on the uniform?

The Derbyshire Archaeological Badge is an occasional badge and therefore can be placed above the left breast pocket.