

# Chester Archaeological Society

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Forthcoming Lecture at the Grosvenor Museum

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 2:30pm

## **Dorstone Hill: A Neolithic Landscape in Herefordshire**

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Dorstone Hill, in Herefordshire, is located just inside the border between England and Wales, on a spur extending from a narrow upland watershed between the rivers Wye and Dore. Here, excavations have been conducted over the past eight years, on a site that has long been known for surface concentrations of Mesolithic and Neolithic flintwork. What was initially taken to be a continuous bank cutting off the promontory was found to be a line of three Neolithic long mounds, arranged end to end, each of which had been constructed on the footprint of an earlier timber building. Further to the south was a slightly later causewayed enclosure. Together with the megalithic tomb of Arthur's Stone these make up a hitherto unexpected Neolithic monumental landscape.

