Chester Archaeological Society



Date: April 6th 2022 Time: 7.30 pm Location: Online Zoom Webinar

How to register: The zoom registration link can be found in the members area and members with email will also have been sent the link. Once registered members will be sent the zoom invite directly.

Title: The Northgate Development: the Archaeological Response

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Blurb: In 2020 work started on Phase 1 of the long-awaited Northgate development, which will see the comprehensive re-development of the land between the present Market Hall and Hunter Street, an area formerly occupied by the old bus station and a pocket park. This talk will describe the archaeological background to the site and the development of the Northgate scheme, in its various guises, over the last quarter of a century.

It will look at the assessment and evaluation work which was undertaken prior to the submission of the most recent planning application and examine the development of the archaeological mitigation strategy, which is heavily focussed on the preservation of the archaeological remains. It will also describe the results of the archaeological investigations which have accompanied the limited number of significant intrusions into the Roman and medieval levels and look at the construction of the new off-site drain that will convey rainwater from the site to a new outfall in the river Dee.

