

museums, sustainability and growth

How heritage can help deliver the sustainability
and planned growth agendas

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Norwich Castle Museum & Art Gallery



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A conference exploring the unique contribution that museums and heritage organisations can make to the development of sustainable communities.

21st century communities in the UK are facing many challenges. In the East of England there is a concentration of designated Growth Areas and Growth Points earmarked for sustainable development. These major population and demographic changes will have a significant impact on existing communities and the environment.

There is also an increasing awareness of the opportunities for museums to contribute actively to the growing environmental, economic and social sustainability agendas. This can be through practical on-site action and through museums serving as facilitators for interpretation and debate.

What difference can museums make? There is a clear opportunity for museums to engage with - and contribute actively to - these agendas. This conference will present a range of practical case studies, examining the unique perspective and resources that museums and heritage organisations can bring, along with an insight into the funding and other partnership opportunities that exist.

The conference will feature speakers including **Roy Clare** CBE (*Chief Executive, MLA*) and **Maurice Davies** (*Deputy Director of the Museums Association*) who will address these issues of both national and international significance.

This is a 2-day conference and while it is possible to come for a single day we highly recommend that delegates attend both days.

Conference Fee: £75 for two days, £50 single day plus VAT. A limited number of subsidised places are available on application to the conference organiser. For more information or to book a place contact: laura.matthews@norfolk.gov.uk

About us:

The conference is organised by Renaissance East of England as a part of its Sustainability and New Communities programmes.

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