The Story of East Anglia

An Archaeological History from Earliest Humans to the Present Day

Session 1: Prehistoric East Anglia

This session examines the archaeological evidence for prehistoric East Anglia, beginning with the million-year-old footprints discovered at Happisburgh and ending with the rise of the Iron Age Iceni tribe during the first millennium BC. Themes include flint tools, burial practices, farming and settlements, and key sites such as Grimes Graves, Must Farm and Tasburgh hillfort.

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