

# The Story of East Anglia

An Archaeological History from Earliest Humans to the Present Day

## Session 4: Late Anglo-Saxon and Medieval East Anglia

This session explores the Late Anglo-Saxon and medieval landscape, from the coming of the Vikings and the martyrdom of King Edmund, through the impact of the Norman Conquest and ending with the Dissolution of the monasteries in the 1530s. Subjects covered include castles, monasteries, parish churches and settlements, as well as the rise of towns and trading ports.

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