

Pen Dinas: A guided tour of old and new discoveries

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Pen Dinas is one of the largest Iron Age Hillforts in West Wales. For over 2000 years, this hillfort has commanded the views from Penparcau, Aberystwyth and beyond as the most prominent and dominant feature within the landscape. Since 2016, the Penparcau Community Forum has been undertaking a community project with support from the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales (the Commission) to explore the historic narrative of Pen Dinas, which has been instrumental in changing our understanding of this iron age marvel.



Come and explore this extraordinary hillfort with a guided walk, led by Jon Dollery (the Commission) and Dr Alan Chamberlain (Penparcau Community Forum). We will explore how the historic narrative of the site has been developed, from early 19th-century mapping and excavations in the 1930s to the exciting new discoveries made by the Penparcau Community Forum, all of which have contributed to an ever-evolving historiography of this remarkable site.

Please note that, due to vehicle restrictions and timings, this tour will be limited to 15 delegates. Therefore, places for the tour will be issued on a first come, first served basis.

You can book a slot for the tour on the

morning of registration. Delegates who wish to participate should keep in mind the February weather (which, for coastal Aberystwyth and a rather exposed Pen Dinas, will mean very cold and possibly wet weather); therefore appropriate clothing and footwear is advised. **The mini bus will leave university campus at 8:30am.**

