



Bucks Earth Heritage Group

Rocks – and you!



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Rocks touch every part of every day of our lives. We come into contact with them in our houses, cars, roads, offices, shops, much of our equipment, jewellery, makeup and toiletries, and most of the clothes we wear all use products that involve geology. We even eat rocks!

A project launched by the Bucks Earth Heritage Group this week has received £49,200 from the Heritage Lottery Fund to focus on the geology of Buckinghamshire and neighbouring counties.

The project will fund vital conservation work which will allow geology sites to be opened up in order to show people the wonderful variety of rocks, minerals and fossils the County has to offer.

The funding will also allow research into important resources such as chalk streams, the Ice Age in Bucks, climate change, soils and our industrial history, amongst many other topics. For instance, where can you see first-hand the ice age in Bucks? We will show you.

There will be a launch event on Sunday 28th August with an open day at Whiteleaf Nature reserve and quarry, Princes Risborough, from 1 pm. Details will be on the group website:

www.bucksgeology.org.uk

or contact Jill on j.eyers@btopenworld.com or 01494 881325 for details

We need you:

- To have fun and enjoy our events
- To tell us if your group or school would like a free talk or walk to a site
- To volunteer to help us with work on site
- To volunteer to learn how to be a geologist

Quote from the HLF: "This project will give the local community opportunities to learn more about the geology and the archaeological heritage of their area. It will enable research to identify the best geological sites in Buckinghamshire for future educational use and encourage hands-on conservation work."

Stuart McLeod, Head of Heritage Lottery Fund South East England