Gullane and Dirleton History Society



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Dear Member,

Digging in Dirleton - again.



Many of you will recall the Society, with the ELC Heritage Service, digging on Dirleton Green for two summer seasons. Although the findings were not conclusive various artefacts were found and digging experience gained. Dirleton village has a long history and further sites of interest have been identified to investigate.

Roy's map of 1750 seems to show that the centre of the village was situated further to the west than at present particularly on the north side of the road where trees now grow. To see if any remains of dwellings can be found exploratory holes will be dug during **June**, **July and August** by volunteers advised by occasional visits from professional archaeologists.



It's time to polish your trowel and dust off your knee pads! Anyone who is interested in delving into the past please e-mail Bill Nimmo at billnimmo.dirleton@btinternet.com or ring 01620 850381.

There will be further opportunities to explore two other sites in Dirleton later in the year. Keep an eye on future newsletters.

Inchcolm.



So far there are 26 participants signed up for the Society's outing to Inchcolm Abbey on **Saturday June 18**th which will be guided by Chris Tabraham. There is still room for any others who would like to visit this place steeped in history.

Contact me on michael.thomson2@virgin.net or ring 01620 843310.

Village shops.

And as if that wasn't enough activity to be going on with an exhibition is being planned for October to highlight the history and changing nature of the shops in Gullane and Dirleton. To be held over a weekend this event is designed to be an occasion for interest, discussion and reminiscing. More details later but keep the weekend of **October 15th / 16th** free in your diary.



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