What Lies Beneath: Fingal Geophysical Survey Project-Heritage Week Event

Do you know what may lie beneath the green of your estate?

Could there be the remains of the past where the kids have a kick-about?

Well yes, and a 2018 Heritage week event organised by Fingal County Council aims to find out just what lies beneath.

‘There are over 30 greenspaces within housing estates or within parklands throughout Fingal where we know archaeological remains have been preserved’ says Fingal Community Archaeologist Christine Baker, ‘The aim of this project is to connect people with the story of what is literally on their doorstep’. Target Surveys have been engaged to carry out geophysical survey of four open spaces, the results of which will also help with the future management of these spaces and the protection of what is preserved there. ‘We’re asking people to come out and find out what may be underneath their open space, learn a little about geophysical survey , see what equipment is used and may be have a go’ said Ms Baker.

Starting with Corduff Park Dublin 15 where there is a ringfort on Wednesday 22 August, everyone is welcome -between 10am-12pm- to the green spaces at St Columba’s, Swords (Thursday 23rd), Chapel Farm, Lusk (Friday 24th), both of which are beside major ecclesiastical sites and finally Rosepark, Balrothery on Saturday 25 where there was Iron Age settlement. This is a unique opportunity to uncover our hidden heritage.

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