

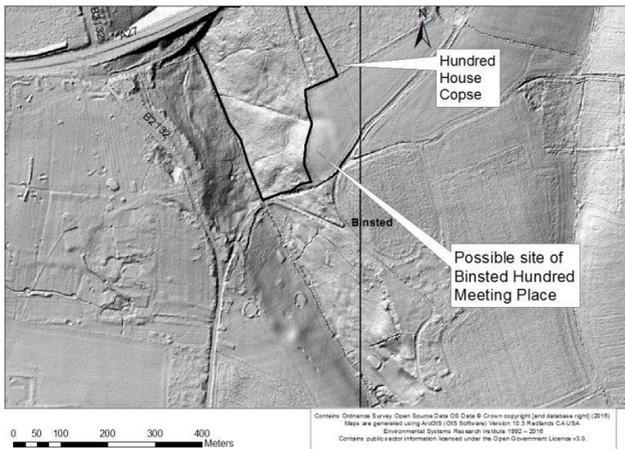
Friday 9 June

2.00 - 3.30 pm, starting at St Mary's Church, Binsted

Cost: £5

ARCHAEOLOGY AND BINSTED'S PAST: a guided walk led by Matthew Pope and Emma Tristram

Dr Pope will look back in time to the Ice Age and beyond, to the formation of Binsted's landscape, including its peninsular shape and the steep-sided Binsted Valley. The walk will also visit the Iron Age earthwork, stretching from north to south through the parish, the sites of the two Mediaeval pottery kilns excavated in 1963 and 2005, and the newly discovered Anglo-Saxon 'Moot Mound' at Hundred House Copse. Following this discovery, new interpretations of the landscape and the significance of Binsted's role within this part of Sussex are emerging.



Section of the LiDAR map showing the 'Moot Mound' site

Dr Matthew Pope teaches Paleolithic archaeology at University College London, and coordinates the Archaeology of Human Evolution research network. He is particularly interested in early human adaptations to north European environments, and in responses to long and short-term climate change. He is a regular contributor to radio, television and print/digital media.

Dr Emma Tristram's article about Binsted's Moot Mound, discovered via the LiDAR or 'laser radar' project of the South Downs National Park, will appear in Sussex Archaeological Collections later this year. She is a Binsted resident, literary researcher and editor of Binsted and Beyond, 2002.