



ENGLISH HERITAGE

Scrub Clearance at Old Sarum

This Autumn scrub clearance will be carried out by volunteers from

FOAM

Friends of Ancient Monuments

A group organized by the Council for British Archaeology (CBA)

We will be hand clearing scrub from the inner ramparts in order to help the regeneration of ecologically valuable grassland and to help prevent erosion.

Working parties will take place on the following dates:

October 24th and November 14th

If you are interested in helping with this conservation work then please contact site staff or email FOAM Wessex organiser Julian Richards julian@archaemedia.net

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5000 years of history

Around 5000 years ago, this chalk hilltop was treated by local people with respect and reverence. Later it was turned into a powerful hill fort by the Celtic people who farmed the surrounding countryside.

In the years following the Roman invasion of 43 AD, a military post was built nearby. An important road junction lay just outside the eastern gateway of the old fort and a small town grew up along the road that led southwards towards Dorchester.

After the Roman legions left, the Celtic fort and the area around it became a Saxon royal estate. When a Viking army burned the nearby town of Wilton in 1003, the fort gave shelter to the townsfolk and security to the royal mint.

By the time William the Conqueror decided to build the castle in front of you, Old Sarum already had a place in history.

Main illustration: Old Sarum as it looks today.

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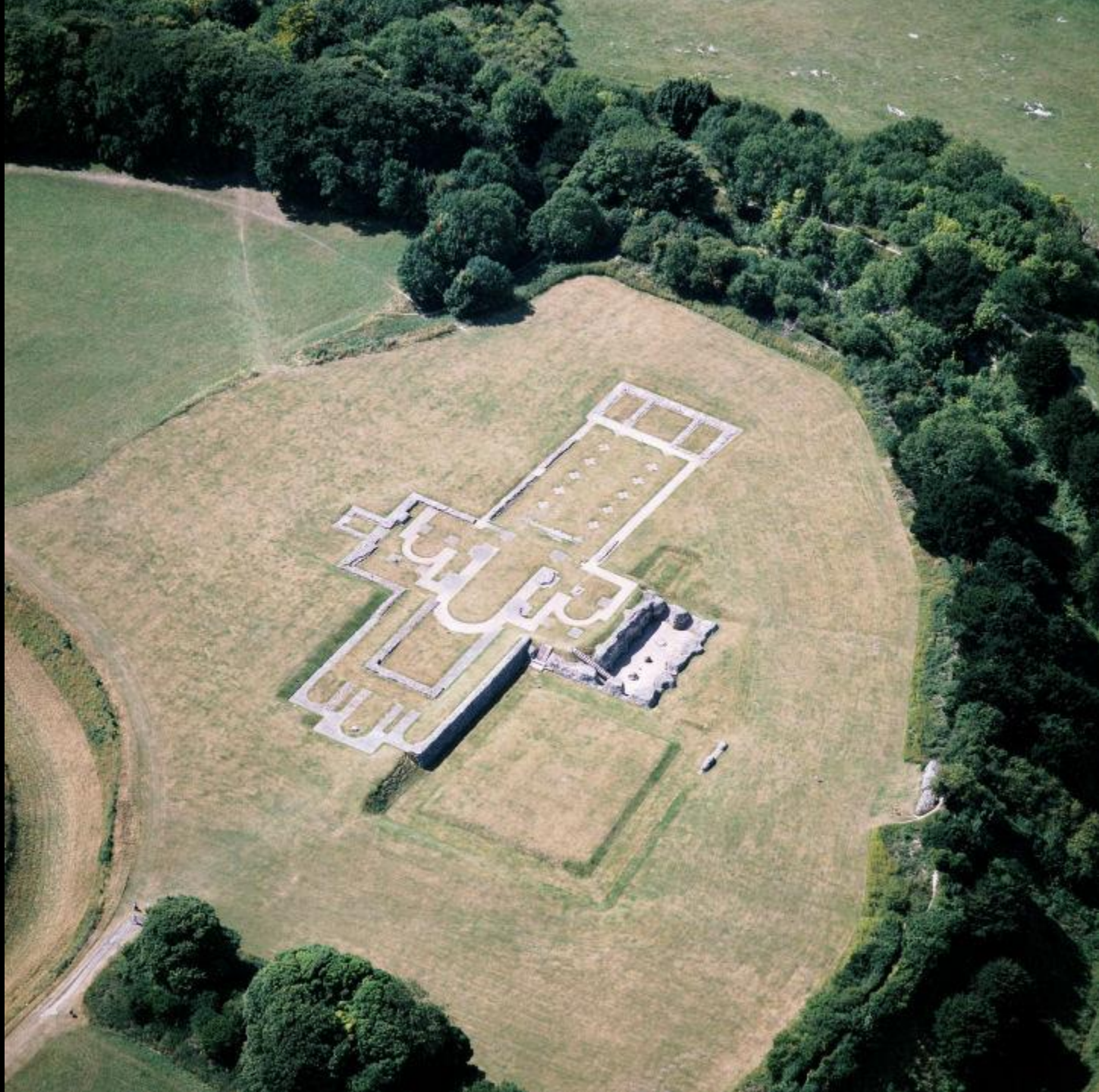
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