

# A town of the Iceni?

## 10 years of research at *Venta Icenorum*



A one-day conference presenting the results of new survey and excavation at Caistor Roman town

Saturday January 14th 2017 at the  
Thomas Paine Study Centre  
(UEA - Norwich)

Entrance £12 (including refreshments) (£6 students). An optional buffet lunch is available.

For booking details see <https://ventaicenorum.eventbrite.co.uk>

Entrance free to members of CRP and the Norfolk Archaeological Trust

Advance booking is essential for all attendees

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9.30 am - 5.30 pm

The Roman town of *Venta Icenorum* at present-day Caistor St Edmund in Norfolk was the regional capital of the territory of the Iceni and is one of only a small number of *civitas* capitals that lie on “greenfield” sites, unencumbered by later development. Since 2006, the site has been the subject of an extensive programme of research, aimed at investigating the origins and development of the site and the processes that led to its ultimate disappearance. Using multiple survey techniques and targeted excavation, the project has challenged previous views of the site, which saw its foundation as a response to the Boudican rebellion. In addition the research has demonstrated that the site remained a place of occupation and probable political importance until at least the 8th century before it was eventually superseded by Norwich.

Sponsored by the British Academy, and organized by the University of Nottingham and Caistor Roman Project, this one-day conference will bring together the archaeologists and materials specialists who have been involved in research at *Venta Icenorum* since 2006. The conference will present an overview of the site from the early Roman until the late Saxon period and the techniques that have been used to investigate it. Speakers will also use the different types of material recovered in the excavations to comment on the lives of the town’s inhabitants, looking at economy, diet, and material culture.

As well as charting the development and material culture of the region’s only major Roman town, the conference will seek to examine the ways in which the town represents a local response to the Roman Empire and whether in fact it was a town of the Iceni as much as it was a Roman town.

A full programme will be available at [www.caistorromanproject.org](http://www.caistorromanproject.org)

### **Booking**

The conference is open to all. Admission is free for members of Caistor Roman Project and the Norfolk Archaeological Trust and costs £12 to non-members (£6 students), including refreshments. A buffet lunch is available at an additional cost. To secure catering arrangements we would appreciate tickets being booked by December 31st. For information about joining Caistor Roman Project see [www.caistorromanproject.org](http://www.caistorromanproject.org)

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The conference will take place in the lecture theatre of the Thomas Paine Study Centre at the University of East Anglia (Norwich). Details of how to get to UEA can be found at <https://www.uea.ac.uk/about/visiting-staying/getting-here> . Parking is available on campus at the Saturday flat rate of £1.

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