Understanding the Chilterns
Hillforts
Getting Started
Ravensburgh
Boddington Camp
Ideas are changing

Hillforts date back further than was thought
They were not primarily defensive
They had a range of functions
Different hillforts served different purposes
Hillforts in the Chilterns
Something for everyone
Programme of the day

9.45 î 9.55  Welcome and Introduction
Alison Doggett, Conference Chair, Chilterns Conservation Board

Setting the scene
9.55 î 10.15  Chronology, Identity and landscape: thoughts on the later prehistoric context of the Chilterns
Stewart Bryant, Head of Historic Environment, Hertfordshire County Council

10.15 î 10.30  Beyond the rampart – Ivinghoe Beacon, setting and context
Gary Marshall, Regional Archaeologist for the National Trust

Recent work on Chilterns Hillforts
10.30 î 10.45  Whelpley Hill - Is this a Bronze Age Enclosure? Report on surveys and preliminary excavations
Yvonne Edwards, Senior Honorary Research Associate, Institute of Archaeology, UCL/John Gover, Chess Valley Archaeology and History Society

10.45 î 11.00  Ravensburgh Castle - new surveys, new interpretations
Dr Ian Brown, University of Oxford and Atlas of Hillforts Project

11.00 î 11.10  Discussion

11.10 î 11.30  Coffee

Conserving the Chilterns Hillforts
11.30 î 11.45  Rescuing Boddington Camp
Mike Baldock, Chilterns Society Wendover Woods Conservation Volunteers

11.45 î 12.05  Hillforts in the Chilterns: Understanding and Conserving their Significance
Sandy Kidd, Principal Archaeologist, English Heritage

The Chilterns Hillforts and Atlas of Hillforts Project
12.05 î 12.25  The Hillforts Atlas Project: getting involved
Professor Gary Lock University of Oxford, Director of the Atlas of Hillforts Project

12.25 î 12.45  Discussion

The way forward in the Chilterns
12.45 î 12.55  The next steps
Shirley Judges, Chilterns Conservation Board Chilterns Hillforts Project

Lunch: 1.00 î 2.00

2.00  Tour of West Wycombe Hillfort led by Sandy Kidd