

ARCHAEOLOGY IN THE SEVERN ESTUARY: NOTES FOR CONTRIBUTORS

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Bloggs, J. (1993) The Exploitation of the Avonmouth Levels in the Medieval Period, in *Annual Report of the Severn Estuary Levels Research Committee 1992*, 35-8.

Other, A.N. (1997a) The Iron Age Settlement at Splott Moor: Interim Report on Survey and Excavation in 1995/6, *Archaeology in the Severn Estuary* 7, 21-34.

Other, A.N. (1994b) Medieval Wetland Reclamation in Midshire. In: Smith, M. and Jones, C. (eds) *The Medieval Landscape of Midshire* Oxford: Oxbow, 39-73. .

Smith, A. and Jones, A. (1997) *The Wye Estuary: Coastal trade on a tidal river*. Chepstow University Press.

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