

Editorial
From Bedfordshire Archaeological Journal
to Bedfordshire Archaeology

The Bedfordshire Archaeological Council was formed in 1959. The only editorial to have appeared in any issue of the *Bedfordshire Archaeological Journal*, namely in the first volume noted:

The County of Bedfordshire has been without a journal dealing with archaeology since the end of the last century. The great interest in archaeology since the last war has been reflected in the formation of a number of societies each dealing with a part of Bedfordshire. The result of this has been a considerable increase in fieldwork and excavation without an organisation capable of co-ordinating the work or the resources to produce a permanent journal.

The permanent record was begun by the issue of the first volume of the *Bedfordshire Archaeological Journal* in 1962. Since then fourteen more volumes have been published, and since 1969 the attempt has been maintained to issue one volume each year.

With the Bedfordshire Archaeological Council approaching twenty-five years successful stewardship of the publication of archaeological research in the county, a new appraisal of its publication was deemed not inappropriate. This was seen to be especially so in the external appearance of the volume.

Henceforth, the publication of the Bedfordshire Archaeological Council will be known as *Bedfordshire Archaeology*.

Issues of *Bedfordshire Archaeology* are to be numbered consecutively following those of Bedfordshire Archaeological Journal. Thus, *Bedfordshire Archaeology* 16 follows *Bedfordshire Archaeological Journal* 15.

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