



PREHISTORIC BIDFORD

This exhibition has been created from records held by the Historic Environment Record (HER) in Warwick. It shows the wealth of information held at the HER and will, we hope, encourage people to research their own local history.

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The River Avon has attracted humans to Bidford for thousands of years. Evidence from as early as the Palaeolithic period has been found in the area and includes prehistoric stone tools found by the river. These would have been used by people passing through the landscape.

Other evidence of human activity can be found from studying aerial photographs held by the HER. Outside Bidford, there is a site that suggests people were in the Bidford area about four thousand years ago. The site, which is visible on an aerial photograph, may be a ditch surrounding a mound of earth, known as a round barrow. This is where some of the dead would have been buried in Neolithic or Bronze Age times.

Further prehistoric activity can be identified from a number of other finds surrounding Bidford.



RECORDS

Number	Name
MWA4811	Findspot - various flint artefacts of Neolithic to Bronze Age date, including a leaf-shaped arrowhead, found south of Tower Hill, Bidford on Avon.
MWA 4912	The site of a possible ring ditch which is visible as a crop mark on aerial photography. It may date to the Neolithic or Bronze Age period. It is located 700m south east of Broom.
MWA5593	Findspot - various flint artefacts of Neolithic and Bronze Age date found east of Grafton Lane, Bidford on Avon.
MWA7320	Findspot - a Palaeolithic handaxe found to the south of Tower Hill, Bidford on Avon.
MWA10068	Find of a spear tip from the Late Bronze Age or Early Iron Age on the Stratford Road east of Bidford on Avon.

