

The Roman town of Caerwent, Monmouthshire

The University of South Wales and HLF are taking Monmouthshire back to its Roman roots using state of the art 3D technology.

This new grant will enable the Roman town of Caerwent to be virtually brought back to life. By downloading an app, and looking through portable virtual reality goggles, you'll be able to see the town as it would have looked when first built thousands of years ago.

Young people aged 10-17 will get the chance to help design and build an app and website that will home an interactive and fully immersive Roman experience. From virtual buildings and town tours, to real human stories – all will be a part of brand new fully immersive learning experience, opening young people's eyes to some exciting history.

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Richard Bellamy, Head of HLF Wales, explains why the project is of particular significance for him: "The Caerwent Roman Town Project will bring a range of fantastic partners together in providing young people with a new and creative way to explore our very distant past, meaning that over 500 primary and secondary school pupils from schools in Communities First areas can join in, learn and have fun with the Roman history of the area."

Almost 40 local schools, and students from The University of South Wales, will participate in the project, bringing together Communities First clusters and cultural bodies. The project aims to inspire young people to learn more about archaelology, giving them the opportunity to gain new skills and qualifications for the future.

Students at the University of South Wales will be volunteering their time to support their younger peers by helping to design and create the 3D models, while 50 young people will gain accredited training with Agored Cymru Accreditation, giving them the opportunity to find out more about the past whilst gaining new skills and qualifications for the future.



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Tref Rhufeinig Caerwent, Sir Fynwy

Monmouthshire gets ready to go Roman