Inspiring People: The Archaeological Record of Peatlands and Community Engagement

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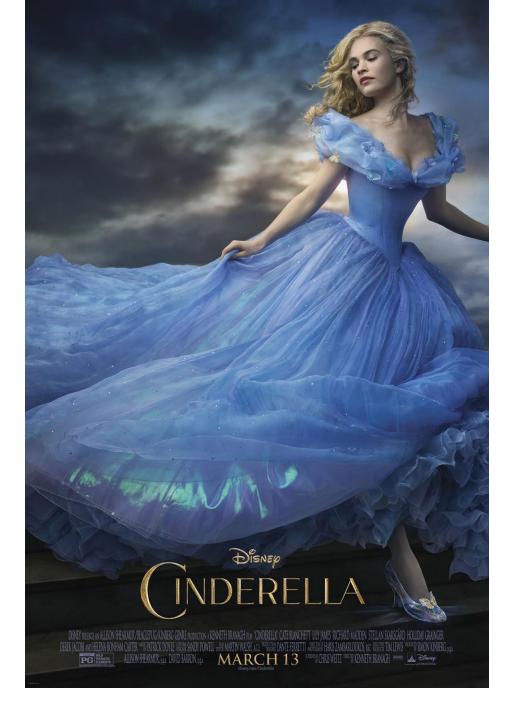
A PROVOCATION...

ECOSYSTEM SERVICES AREN'T SEXY...

WHAT IS?

ARCHAEOLOGY...DAMN RIGHT...!!

YOU (WE) NEED TO THINK OF WAYS TO BETTER UTILISE THE HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT RECORD TO ENGAGE PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES WITH PEATLANDS...THIS CANNOT BE LEFT TO THE HE SPECIALISTS NOT IN YOUR LIFE/PROJECT





The Archaeological Record of Peatlands...



INDIRECT ENGAGEMENT:

The 'enchantment of the archaeological record...creating/thinking/connecting to peatland landscapes, past and present

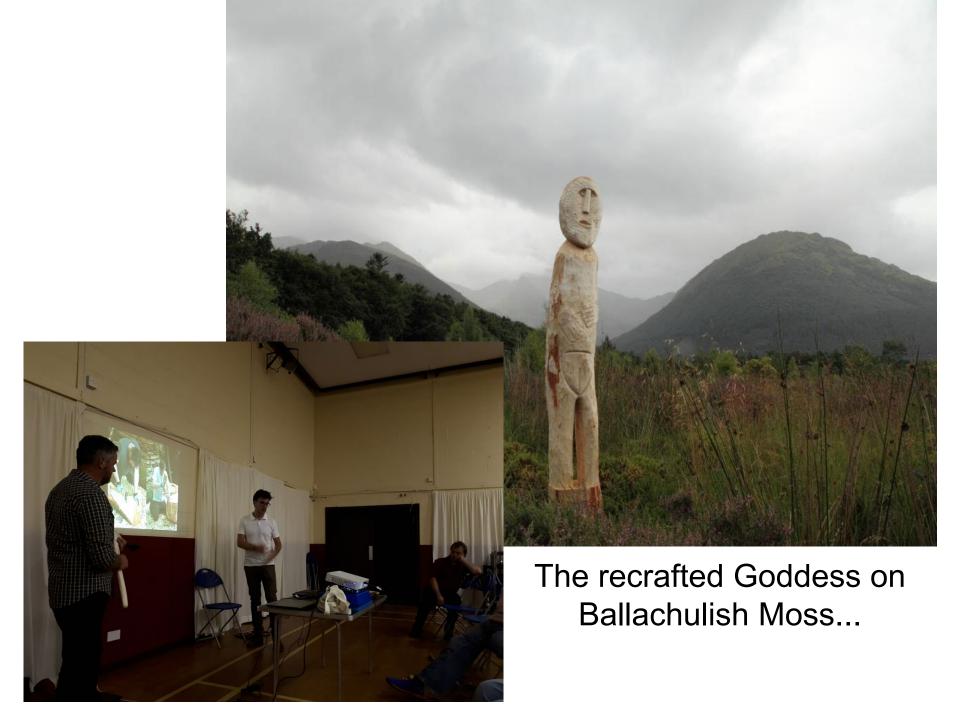


The Ballachulish 'Goddess' Iron Age alder wood figure (discovered Ballchulish Moss 1880) Now in NMS...



Re-crafting the Goddess....

Ballachulish, August 2017...

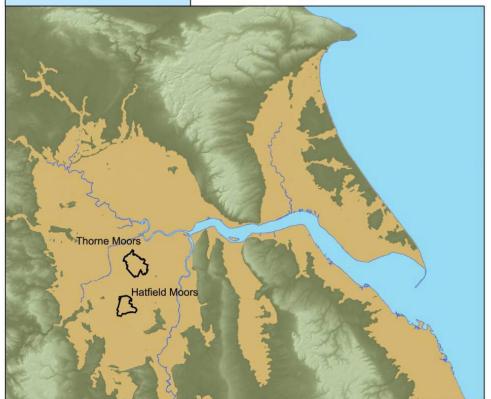
















DIRECT ENGAGEMENT: Involving communities in investigating and researching their local peatland environments...



Hatfield and Thorne Moors; IOA&HC Landscape Partnership





Bringing Direct and Indirect Approaches together...
Project Wildscape

November: Re-making the Hatfield Neolithic timber trackway... a community centred event....

BUT...we might feel we have the ethical highground...

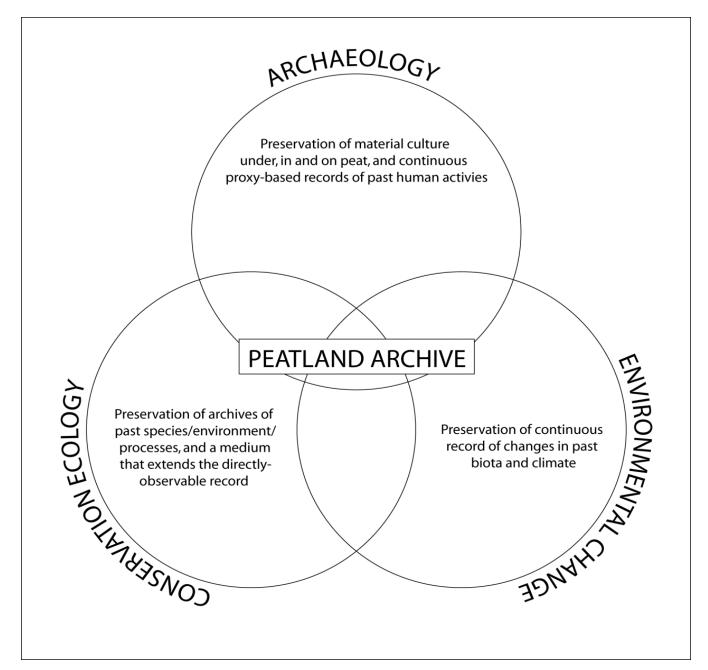


" The seasonal turf harvest and in more recent times, the mechanical conquest of the peatlands, have woven the bogs into the Irish psyche..."

(Feehan and O'Donovan, 1997)



WETFUTURES: University of Wageningen, UCC, University of Braford



From Gearey and Fyfe (2016)

Pallasboy Project: Mark Griffiths, Brian Mac Domhnaill, Cathy Moore, Orla-Peach

Power, Gavin Mac Gregor

Wildscapes: Nicki Whitehouse, Henry Chapman, Kim Davies, Jane Bunting, Micehlle

Farrell, Nika Shilobod, IOAHC volunteers...



















