

Wessex Museums Charter

Wessex Museums is a thriving partnership of the four leading museums across the counties of Dorset and Wiltshire:

**DORSET
MUSEUM**

poole
museum

The SALISBURY
museum

**WILTSHIRE
MUSEUM**

Our purpose

Wessex Museums exists to build the resilience and relevance of the museums in our partnership and across our region.

Our values

Collaborative

Seeking every opportunity to work together, recognising and building on our different strengths, and appreciating that these generate a vital and creative tension.

Inclusive

We value peoples' differences and work to ensure fairness in our policies and practices, to enable diverse people to work and engage with us.

Innovative

We are brave and creative in our approach to resilience, seeking opportunities for real innovation that will help secure our future – and always challenging what this means to us.

Sustainable

We want to achieve real impact and longevity through our work, by doing the things we can really achieve well and that are sustainable. We want to minimise our impact on the environment.

Our mission

To support museums to connect, inspire and add value to peoples' lives.

Our opportunities

We believe that this partnership provides the opportunity to:

- Strengthen the message and cultural offer of our museums.
- Push us out of our comfort zone to do things in new ways.
- Tell important stories from across our region.
- Share and learn from successes and mistakes, build relationships and enhance our reputation with partners and stakeholders.
- Increase our organisations' resilience and sustainability.

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