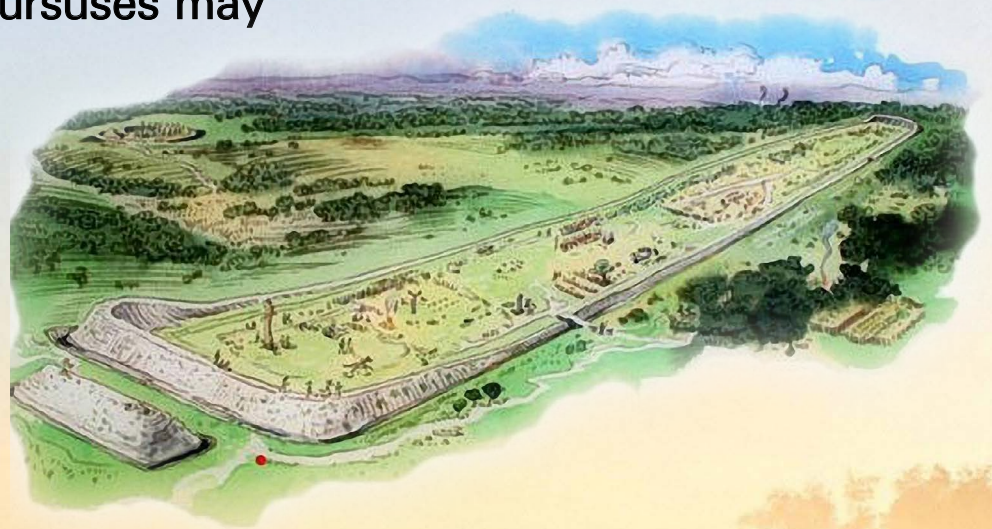


# The Cursus Monuments of Buckinghamshire and the Great Ouse Valley

Thursday 30 May 2024 By Dr David Saunders

David will offer a fascinating and provocative response to the unanswered cursus' purpose question. Around 4000 BC worsening climate change conditions led to the need to sustain herd sizes. Did Neolithic communities start constructing cursus monuments to protect grazing areas from wildlife, such as wild aurochs?

Recently discovered cursuses may highlight how, by restricting access to grasslands, Neolithic farmers effectively become Britain's first climate activists.



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