

An Exhibition Exploring the Hidden History of Milton Keynes

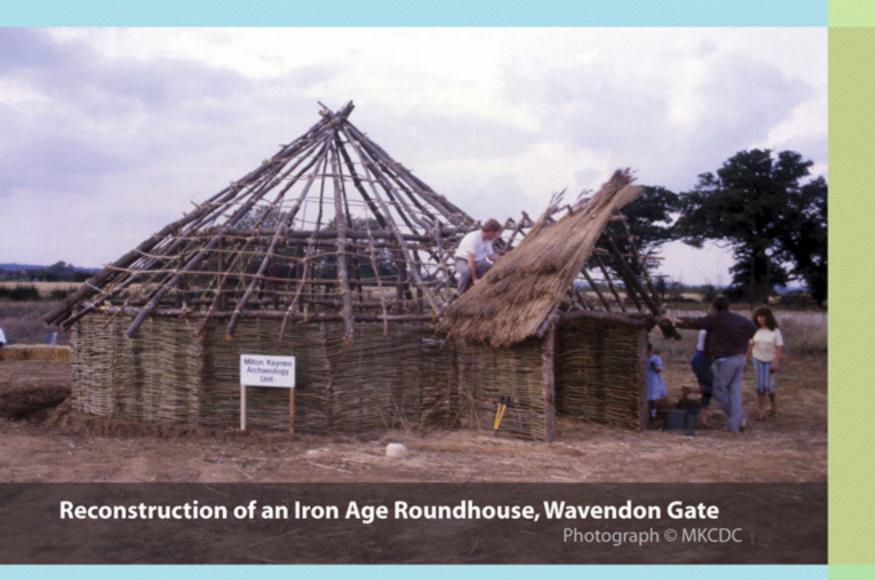




Ceremonial Sun Cult item, one of several metal wheel-shaped items held by Buckinghamshire County Museum in Aylesbury Iron Age Found in Wavendon Gate



Palstave Axe Head Bronze Age, 1200 BC Found in Shenley Brook End



## BRONZE AND IRON AGE

## Milton Keynes



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The 'Milton Keynes Hoard'
Gold torcs (bracelets or neck rings) now held by the British Museum in London
Late Bronze Age, about 1150-800 BC
Found in Monkston

Bronze Age (2500 - 700 BC) Iron Age (800 BC - 43 AD)

There is evidence of Bronze and Iron Age occupation across Milton Keynes with settlements at Bancroft, Pennyland, Furzton and Wavendon Gate.

On the present-day area of Blue Bridge, overlooking Bancroft, stood an imposing roundhouse, the largest Bronze Age roundhouse yet to have been found in Britain.

The Wavendon Gate area, to the south-east of Milton Keynes, was first settled in the late Iron Age, around 100BC. There is evidence of a cluster of Iron Age roundhouses and a sizable settlement developed there in the Roman period.

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