Stepping the Tinners Way

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Their project is called 'Stepping the Tinners Way' and will provide an exciting opportunity to highlight the importance of this ancient route through walks, talks, workshops and filmmaking.

The Tinners Way runs between St Just and St Ives, crossing the inland moors, ancient settlements and sites, hill forts and castles. Tin traders used it as early as the Iron Age period up until the late 18th and early 19th century. These tracks became the means by which small settlements could keep in touch with one another.

The award will bring the people of the present day local communities along the route together to celebrate their heritage and to explore the past through educational walks and creative learning activities and events for all ages. These will include tea parties at which older residents will be able to share and record their memories and display old photographs and cuttings relating to the area.

Alessandra Ausenda, Project Co-ordinator, says: "We are delighted to be given the opportunity to work with artists, local experts and volunteers to engage communities along such a rich historical and unique landscape."

The Heritage Lottery Fund's Head of Region for the South West, Nerys Watts, commented: "The Penwith area has a rich and varied heritage, ranging from spectacular landscapes and ancient monuments to industrial sites and artistic traditions. We are so pleased to support the 'Stepping the Tinners Way' project to enable local people to explore these themes in such an exciting and innovative way."

The partnership is supported by Leach Pottery St Ives and Geevor Tine Mine as well as additional funding from FEAST. We are hoping many of you will join us on the short walks and tea parties where we will be collecting memories and photographs of interest.

Notes to editors

The Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) enables communities to celebrate, look after and learn more about our diverse heritage. From our great museums and historic buildings to local parks and beauty spots or recording and celebrating traditions, customs and history, HLF grants open up our nation's.

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