The Development of Bishop's Meadow in Nettleham

The Bishop's Palace site in Nettleham is a Scheduled Ancient Monument (SAM) and is historically very significant, both locally and nationally.

It comprises a total area of some 3 hectares, with 0.5 hectares, on the eastern side of this area, designated pasture land and now known as Bishop's Meadow.

Following the clearance and cultivation of the ground in early 2013, native woodland trees and other shrubs were planted by residents of the village in March, together with special grass and wildflower seed sown later the same year.

A heritage fruit orchard, including varieties of trees that may have been found here in mediaeval times, has also been incorporated in the planting scheme.

In September 2013, work commenced on rebuilding the traditional Lincolnshire dry stone wall which marks the southern boundary of the site.

On the occasion of Tuesday 11 March 2014, HRH The Duke of Kent came to the village and during the course of his visit officially opened the Bishop's Palace site.

Memorial trees, sponsored by individuals and special interest groups in the village, will also be added in future years, together with a number of memorial benches, to enable visitors to sit and enjoy the peaceful and quiet surroundings of this attractive and unique rural setting.

The development of Bishop's Meadow egins with regular mowing of the grass



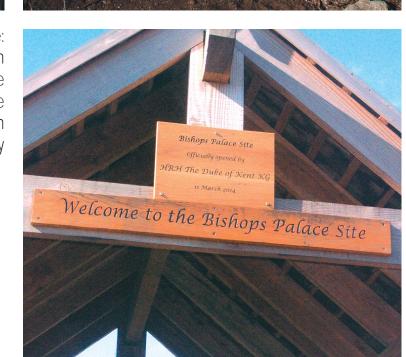
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Detail showing the construction central cavity filled with aggregate to create additional strength and durability





The sign on Prince's Gate commemorating the official opening of the Bishop's Palace site on















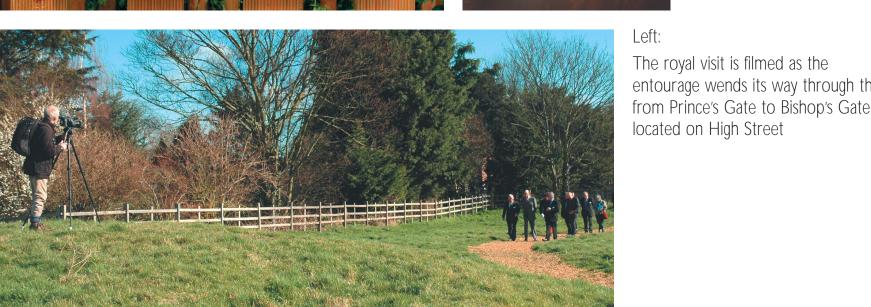




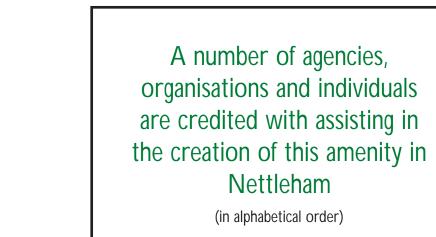








HRH The Duke of Kent performs the official opening of the Bishop's Palace site during his visit to the village of Nettleham on Tuesday 11 March 2014











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