Lecture to dig up ancient links to Britain

The links connecting Britain and Ireland stretch far back into the past and some of the earliest of these connections will be detailed in a public lecture in the city this week.

The speaker at the next event in Cork Historical & Archaeological Society’s programme of free public lectures is Richard Bradley, Emeritus Professor of Archaeology at the University of Reading. He has excavated, written and researched extensively on the prehistoric period, and is one of the leading scholars in prehistoric archaeology. It is easy to think of Ireland being an isolated island during the Neolithic (4,000BC to 2,500BC) and Bronze Age (2,500BC to 500BC) periods. This was not the case, however, as there were trade and cultural links to our near neighbour and to continental Europe. These links can be seen in the ‘exotic’ items such as the Langdale stone axes from Cumbria found across Britain, Ireland and beyond.

Richard Bradley will present a lecture to the Cork Historical and Archaeological Society on Wednesday.

This free event takes place at Crawford Art Gallery in Emmet Place, Cork, at 6pm on Wednesday. For more information visit the website: www.corkhist.ie