## DIGITAL PROJECTS – LIST 40 (BRICMICS, 16 May 2022)

At the Spring 2002 BRICMICS meeting it was suggested that BRICMICS should maintain a list of British and Irish digital projects to include announcements of upcoming projects, details of those in progress or completed, and information about new maps on the Internet.

The intention of the list is to alert colleagues to projects which might be of interest. It is also hoped that it will help to prevent duplication of effort. It is not meant, however, to replicate information already available on the History of Cartography website at: <http://www.maphistory.info/projects.html> and <http://www.maphistory.info/webimages.html>

All lists compiled so far are available at: [www.lib.cam.ac.uk/collections/departments/maps/digital-maps/digital-projects-list](http://www.lib.cam.ac.uk/collections/departments/maps/digital-maps/digital-projects-list)

**BODLEIAN LIBRARY** *(Nick Millea)*

* We have launched our series of ten *StoryMaps* online at [https://www.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/maps/storymaps/](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.bodleian.ox.ac.uk%2Fmaps%2Fstorymaps%2F&data=05%7C01%7Caemt2%40universityofcambridgecloud.onmicrosoft.com%7Cdae289f5f02c43764fae08da31bc7982%7C49a50445bdfa4b79ade3547b4f3986e9%7C0%7C0%7C637876982949990338%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C2000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=NTrfkm8lun1v0n%2BEFZZjJP6hLxD%2B9jxc4UppUlKjGKw%3D&reserved=0). Subjects are: the Gough Map; Imaginary lands; Islamic maps; the Laxton Map; Layla Curtis’ ‘*The Thames …*’; Oxford; the Oxford Drink Map; Oxfordshire; Tudor tapestry maps; World War I trench maps.

**BRITISH LIBRARY** *(Gethin Rees)*

* The British Library released 7,891 images from George III’s Topographical Collection onto the Georeferencer platform (<https://www.bl.uk/projects/georeferencer>) in March 2022. The images of maps were selected from the 32,000 images that were digitised from George III’s collection of atlases and albums of views, plans, diagrams, reports and surveys, produced between 1550 and 1820. The Georeferencers have been making quick work of the maps having already completed 15%.

**CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY** *(Anne Taylor)*

* We continue to digitise Survey of India 1-inch sheets for the Mapping the Archaeological History of South Asia project (MAHSA) based at Cambridge University [www.arch.cam.ac.uk/research/projects/current-projects/mapping-archaeological-heritage-south-asia](http://www.arch.cam.ac.uk/research/projects/current-projects/mapping-archaeological-heritage-south-asia)

**NATIONAL LIBRARY OF SCOTLAND** *(Chris Fleet)*

**Recent website additions:**

* **OS Town Plans of England and Wales.** 12,474 sheets at 1:500-1:1,056 scales covering over 400 towns in England and Wales. 380 towns at 1:500 scale made available in December. Georeferencing of towns on local sheet lines has been ongoing since December, and is expected to be complete by July. <https://maps.nls.uk/additions.html#122> and <https://maps.nls.uk/additions.html#129>
* **Ordnance Survey maps published in 1971**. 2,332 detailed maps at scales of 1:1,250 to 1:25,000 which were published in 1971, and have therefore just come out-of-copyright from 1 January 2022. <https://maps.nls.uk/additions.html#125>
* **New trench map coordinates search and display.** Allows First World War Trench Map Coordinates to be searched and displayed <https://maps.nls.uk/additions.html#126>
* **New LiDAR coverage of Glasgow, Edinburgh and the Sherwood Forest** Phase V of the Scottish Government's LiDAR datasets, flown in 2021, with a 50 cm resolution Digital Terrain Model (DTM), as well as new Sherwood Forest coverage at 16 cm resolution. <https://maps.nls.uk/additions.html#127>
* **Maps of Great Britain, 19th-20th centuries.** Over 200 smaller-scale maps of Great Britain, including all our holdings of the OS Ten-Mile to the Inch Planning Maps Series. <https://maps.nls.uk/additions.html#128>
* **New research guides.** 
  + [Re-using georeferenced maps](https://maps.nls.uk/guides/georeferencing/). A set of pages providing easy, step-by-step instructions for bringing our georeferenced maps into other applications.

**PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE OF NORTHERN IRELAND** *(Glynn Kelso)*

PRONI is working with DfC Historic Environment Division and GIS specialists to source OS maps from other collections to fill gaps on the PRONI historical maps viewer <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/services/search-proni-historical-maps-viewer>, initially caused by preservation issues. PRONI is also working with a community based organisation to add an additional dataset to the maps viewer, which will georeference all church sites in NI and provide a spatial index to relevant church records held by PRONI.

**ROYAL MUSEUMS GREENWICH** *(Megan Barford)*

Preparing to digitise our 13th century copy of al-Istakhri’s Kitb al-Aqalim: [Kitab al Aqualim [Book of Routes and Regions]](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.rmg.co.uk%2Fcollections%2Fobjects%2Frmgc-object-492477&data=05%7C01%7Caemt2%40universityofcambridgecloud.onmicrosoft.com%7Cac4df2b57fbc42b4a83108da31c334ec%7C49a50445bdfa4b79ade3547b4f3986e9%7C0%7C0%7C637877011713501310%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=w2cYhjfFAikKnZItkY3n2L%2F4tC18Umgo9KZxYDJgkS0%3D&reserved=0). Images will be made available in the next few months.

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