



BRAMSHOTT AND LIPHOOK HERITAGE SOCIETY

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A Message from our Chairman

Dear Members,

On behalf of the Society may I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year and look forward to meeting you at one of our social events next year.

Michael Croucher

Current Concerns

The Society has been concerned about the state of the cobbles and tarmac at the top of Longmoor Road where it enters The Square. Tree roots have caused lifting of the surface, creating a significant trip hazard.

Our chairman has written to the Parish Council highlighting the problem, and Hampshire Highways have put forward a preferred “improvement” scheme which involves removing all the cobbled area and resurfacing with tarmac and a large area of “tiger mulch” (rubberized bark).

The Conservation Team at EHDC are keen to see more sympathetic scheme, reflecting the fact it is in the centre of the Conservation area we have therefore put forward a compromise solution which would retain some cobbled area but include the tiger mulch around the base of the trees. This should make the area safer for pedestrians and lessen the likelihood of root “heave” in the future. The bench will also be replaced when the nature of the scheme is approved.

Hampshire Highways have subsequently addressed the footpath by removing the old tarmac (*not shown in picture below*), levelling the ground and resurfacing with new tarmac. Nothing has been done to address the cobbles that make up the bulk of the area. We will continue to press for a solution.



Website

The Society now has a website <https://blheritagesoc.org/> . The information held will be developed over time to provide a resource for researching information on listed buildings and other buildings of merit included on our 'Local list'.

We are keen to receive any information on the both lists of buildings. We have details of most of the Listed Buildings but we would welcome any extra information. We hold little information on the 'Local List' buildings and are very keen to learn anything that we can about them. If you are the owner of one of these buildings we would be most interested to talk to you (email address on website).

Heritage Centre

The activities of the team at the Heritage Centre, led by Val Gaskin, represents the bulk of the work completed by the Society. Through their continuing efforts they are:

- Recording the Oral History of the residents of Bramshott and Liphook
- Archiving and cataloguing to material donated to the Society
- Scanning and digitising documents and photographs
- Updating their skills through conservation technique training courses
- Selling the books and publications of the Society

Why not pay them a visit ??

The Heritage Centre Opening Hours

Mondays, 10am to 12.30 p.m.

Wednesdays 10.30am to 2pm

Fridays 10am to 12.30p.m.

Other times by appointment

Closed bank Holidays

Membership

Many of you will be aware that your membership is due to be renewed in the near future. Your fees are used to support the activities of the Heritage Centre and the running of the Society.

Your membership fee is £10 per year but unfortunately several of our members have not updated their standing orders and are still paying at the previous rate. We will shortly be sending an email to all members who need to update their payment.