



Visits to Basingstoke

Despite piecemeal Victorian development and a vast 1960s shopping centre, much still survives. Three visits will take place to help piece together the distinguished development of this important Hampshire town.

Sunday 12th September: Holy Ghost Cemetery & South View - 10.30-12.30

Debbie Reavell, Basingstoke Heritage Society, will lead the group around the Cemetery along with the Holy Ghost Chapel with remains dating from 1244; the later graves are mainly C19 but of great interest from a local historical perspective. The suburb of South View, to the north of the cemetery, was developed from the late C19 onwards; there is a mix of ages & styles with St Thomas' Home for the Friendless and Fallen a highlight.

Sunday - tbc: Medieval & Post-medieval Buildings of Basingstoke - 10.30-1.00

Bill Fergie (former conservation officer for Basingstoke, and chairman of the Historic Buildings Section) & John Hare, (author of *Basingstoke: a medieval town*), will look at the old town centre; we shall see older structures hidden by later 'fashionable' updating of frontages. A guided study of St. Michael's church, which now largely dates from a 15th and 16th C. remodelling, and reflects one of the times of the town's greatest prosperity, will, with Church Cottage, form part of the visit.

Saturday - tbc: Later Religious Buildings in their Landscape Settings - 10.30-1.00

Roger Ottewill, Chair of the Local History Section, will take us around some of the later churches, both inside and out, in the town; we shall begin at the United Reform Church, 1800-01 onwards, on London Street; from there the route will go via the former Cottage Hospital to All Saints, which is described as "...an austere beautiful and noble building." (Pevsner 2010). The visit will finish in the town centre close to the location of the Methodist Church, demolished in 1967.

Further information, including parking and meeting places, please see:

<http://www.hantsfieldclub.org.uk/sections/landscape.html>

Or ring Mike Broderick – 01256 351624 or email - landscape@hantsfieldclub.org.uk

Cost for **each trip**: Members: £5.00 ~ Non-Members: £8.00 ~ Full-time Students: £4:00

Please send cheques to: James Fautley, 17 Vale Way, Kings Worthy, Winchester, SO23 7LL

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Please reserve place(s) for the Landscape Section Visits to Basingstoke:

Places: 1) **Holy Ghost Cemetery** (12/9/21): Members ___ Non-members ___ Students ___

2) **Medieval/Post Medieval** (To be confirmed): Members ___ Non-members ___ Students ___

3) **Religious Landscape** (To be confirmed): Members ___ Non-members ___ Students ___

I enclose a cheque for £ ___ payable to **Hants Field Club - Landscape Section**.

Email address or SAE for booking confirmation.

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