

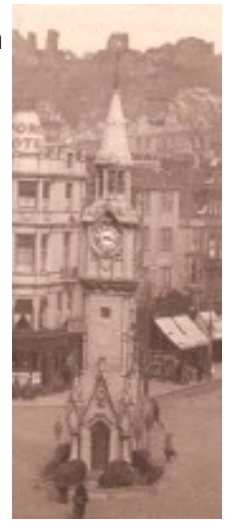


Our new exhibition for Old Town Carnival Week is on the Lost Heritage of Hastings. The list of buildings and other structures the town has lost over the years is a long one.



Some of these are much missed and still talked about others will have been forgotten.

If you have examples you would like to see in the exhibition please get in touch.



Fishermen's Museum

We are delighted to have raised £ 2659 for our Exhibits Maintenance Fund in 2016. We are still exploring the options to replace the two halves of the ex Golden Sovereign. We very much hope that Rock-a-Nore Kitchen will be filling Tush and Pat's space with Fish Rolls this summer.

Old Town Carnival Week at the Fishermen's Museum the new exhibition is a photographic portrayal of current Hastings Fishermen by Anne Chown A.R.P.S.. Bob Arrowsmith is also making a welcome return with his Ships [and other scenes] in Bottles.

We thank George Greaves who has retired from the Fishermen's Museum sub-committee after many years of service and sage advice.

As well as help to keep the History House open we welcome volunteers to work with the large collection of archive material we have been given. At present five of us are sorting and listing this material and it can be a fascinating job. If you would like to join the team please get in touch.

On the subject of archives the index to the records of the Hastings Improvement Commissioners at East Sussex Record Office is fascinating to browse. Available on the <http://discovery.nationalarchives.gov.uk> website a few extracts are included below.

dhbj/DH/B/182/3 1 Feb 1830 Specification for emptying the cesspools on the beach opposite the lower light and at the east end of the battery. Annotated for re-use, 26 Jan 1832

dhbj/DH/B/182/9 3 Jan 1831 Application from eight owners and occupiers of houses in All Saints Hastings to the Hastings Improvement Commissioners for the removal of the lamp about to be placed at the lower end of the fence of Mrs Thatcher to where the oil lamp is against Mrs Collin's house.

dhbj/DH/B/182/8 3 Jan 1831 Estimate by Thomas Catley of the expense in making a footpath from Day's stable to Mr Duke's yard along the turnpike.

An extract from one of the new stories that Marilyn Saklatvala has put on www.friendsofhastingscemetery.org.uk

Hastings and St Leonards Observer - Saturday 02 October 1875- The Funeral of the Rev. Thomas Vores
On Tuesday last the remains of the Rev. Thomas Vores, whose death we recorded last week, were interred at the borough Cemetery. There were general signs of mourning in the town during the day, most of the shops in the principal thoroughfares having shutters up, whilst the flags on the flag-staffs on the parades were hoisted at half-mast.



The funeral procession consisted of a hearse and five mourning carriages and behind came a long line of private carriages. When the procession started there were nearly thirty carriages following, but by the time the Cemetery was reached, this number had augmented to nearly 60.....

Books - We have copies of 'A Dictionary of Sussex Dialect' once again in stock and also a reprint of 'Blacks 1861 Guide to Sussex' both are priced at £5 . As usual we have an interesting collection of secondhand books on offer - prices from 50p.