



Enfield Society News

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The Enfield Society rescues Enfield's entries in Open House London 2015

As described in our President's column on page 5, the Enfield Society has stepped in to ensure that buildings of architectural interest in Enfield are not left out of the annual London-wide



showcase of architecture and urban design which is "Open House London", on 19th and 20th September. The Borough Council decided this year that they could not afford the £4000 contribution towards the costs of the event, so we agreed at short notice that we would pay it. We suggested several buildings that might be added to the list of those that were open in previous years, but there was not time to make arrangements with all of them. Because of our contribution we shall receive a supply of the guide booklet for the whole event, and we will be able to make free copies available at our Town Show stand as well as providing some for distribution through local libraries.

Because Open House London is concerned with architecture and urban design, buildings and structures to be included are chosen on the basis of "good design, old and new", having regard to appearance and function rather than any historical connections. The current list of those that will be open is shown below. Details of opening times will be given in the guide booklet and on the Open House London website at www.openhouselondon.org.uk, which will also include any last minute additions which were too late for the printed booklet.

The programme depends on volunteers to staff and assist at participating buildings. In return for giving up a morning or afternoon of their time, volunteers receive a badge that lets them jump queues at other buildings as well as a complimentary copy of the weekend guide. You can sign up as a volunteer at www.openhouselondon.org.uk/getinvolved/volunteering.html.

Buildings that will be open in Enfield

with names of architects and dates of construction when known

- Christ Church Southgate and the Minchenden Oak Garden, *George Gilbert Scott* 1861-1862.
- Deephams Sewage Treatment Works, due for completion by 2018.
- Dugdale Centre, 2007.
- Forty Hall and Estate, 1629-32.
- King George V Pumping Station, *William Booth Bryan*, 1913.
- Lamb's Cottage, 17C/18C.
- Lee Valley Athletics Centre, *David Morley Architects*, 2007.
- Millfield Arts Centre, 1778.
- Myddelton House, *George Ferry and John Wallen*, 1818.
- Old Vestry Office, c1829.
- Parish Church of St Andrew Enfield, 13C-19C.
- Priory Hospital North London, *John Nash*, 1797.
- Royal Small Arms Factory, *refurbished by Shephard Epstein Hunter*, 1854-58/2000.
- St Mary Magdalene Church, *William Butterfield*, 1883.
- Suburban Studio, *Ashton Porter Architects*, 2011.
- Winchmore Hill Friends Meeting House and Burial Ground, 1790.

A chance to visit old and new aspects of Enfield



Modern: Redevelopment of Deephams sewage treatment works, Edmonton. A major upgrade to reduce odour, improve the quality of the River Lee and Salmons Brook and create jobs for local people.



Ancient: Old Vestry Office, The Town. A hexagonal building built as a watch house and residence for the beadle. It was the first police station in Enfield.

Trent Park

The Save Trent Park Campaign has focussed attention on the long and confused story since the Malaysian Allianze University College of Medical Sciences (AUCMS) undertook to buy the 50 acre former Middlesex University campus site in 2013. The bizarre episode of the reportedly unpaid security company leasing the site for such commercial activities as filming seems to be fortunately behind us. It appears AUCMS are still owners of the site but meanwhile the Malaysian Bank EXIM, which funded the purchase, appointed agents Jones Lang Laselle (JLL) as fixed charge receivers on 1st April. As receivers their duty is to sell the site on behalf of their client (EXIM). They have appointed a new security company, VPS, who have safeguarded the buildings but have left much of the open space around the mansion and grounds open for the public to continue using.

In response to obvious concerns about the state of the listed mansion and the antique statuary, officers from Historic England (formerly English Heritage) together with heritage and conservation staff from Enfield Council, carried out a full inspection. The result was reassuring. Some maintenance issues were identified: damp in some first and second floor rooms of the Mansion and a need to support the terrace, plus safeguarding the kitchen garden wall and Wisteria Walk. On 5th May the Council served an Urgent Works Notice on the owners and as a result JLL have provided CCTV and intruder alarms in addition to the fences. They will improve propping to support the terrace and will protect the coping stones with tarpaulin. The source of damp was due to cracks in the roof asphalt. Security marking of moveable features is under investigation.

It is reassuring that Enfield Council has now established a cross-party Councillor Working Group on Trent Park, aiming to secure, protect and promote the long term future for the heritage assets on the site but also their public use and ongoing maintenance.

From our point of view I think there are three areas of concern: the condition of the country park as a whole for public enjoyment, retaining public access to the campus site and the future of the mansion and heritage assets, preferably with a 'heritage' role. The Bear Grylls Survival Race event in October is planned to use the whole park. No doubt it will be very popular and hopefully generate profit for the Council but this and similar events must not be at the expense of other users of the park.

Chris Jephcott

Cecil Road

At time of writing (17th July) extensive tree works are under way in Cecil Road. Enfield Council commissioned a very comprehensive survey using invasive and non invasive (ultrasound) techniques on the condition of the 39 street trees along the road. The 58 page report concluded that 8 of the trees were potentially dangerous and should be removed forthwith and recommended appropriate surgery to the remainder. This has nothing to do with any selected outcome of the Cycle Enfield process. Replacement in the next planting season is promised.



1/1A Cecil Road

Coincidentally two planning applications have been submitted for this prominent site on the Church Street/Cecil Road corner. The photograph shows the two buildings, as well as one of the two mature plane trees due for removal at this end of the road. Because of its significance opposite to the Library Green our view is that this site calls for a new building of distinction, yet sympathetic to the character of this part of the Conservation Area and the adjoining locally listed solicitors' premises. Regrettably the plans are far from meeting this aim. The proposed replacement for the Greenfox Garage is a three storey block of six flats, over large and unimaginative. For some reason the small corner office section is retained. A rethink is needed. At the same time a proposal to extend the adjoining No.1 Cecil Road would leave a prominent box dormer with French windows and Juliet balcony overlooking the New River path across a short back garden. Currently this row of semi detached houses opposite the Library Green retain their original, loosely Arts

and Crafts, features. To the rear all retain a sturdy, central chimney in line with the back wall, an unusual feature which would be lost. Small issues of this sort may seem trivial but cumulatively they are what give a Conservation Area its special atmosphere and value.

A similar case in point is the proposed change of occupant at 1-3 Market Chambers, the former Burtons building in Enfield Town. The new Metro Bank will replace Santander there. The replacement shopfront and fascia feature new pilasters and capitals at intervals along the facade. Unfortunately their position and spacing bears no relation to the stone columns between the windows of the facade above, architecturally illiterate. Each bay would feature the bank's blue and red logo with an illuminated projecting sign, seven in all. Again, this is totally at odds with the setting of this dominant building in the conservation area. Another unfortunate proposal is the closure of the traditional billiards hall above, currently one of the few leisure venues in the shopping centre. We are objecting.

Chris Jephcott

Sales table



1 Gentleman's Row

The new Christmas card is of No.1 Gentleman's Row, Enfield, a Georgian building, Grade II listed, which was bought in 1888 by the Enfield Board of Health. Since then, it has served many purposes including being the district's first public library. It now houses the Registry Office and some other Council departments. The price of a pack of five quality cards with envelopes is £2.50.

Packs of five identical cards from previous years are on sale to Enfield Society members at the special price of £1.25. Three views are available: Whitewebbs House, Hilly Fields and The Crown and Horseshoes. All cards contain the same greeting "With Best Wishes for Christmas and a Happy New Year".

The popular packs of four different cards will also be available for £1.

Books about Enfield are often welcome Christmas gifts, especially to friends and family who have moved away from the district. This year has seen the publication of Volume Four of the History of Enfield. "A Time of Change" covers the years 1939-69 in Enfield, Edmonton and Southgate and the cost is £18.50.

All publications will be on sale at the Town and Country Show on 12th and 13th September, at Jubilee Hall meetings from September and at a special Christmas opening of the Sales Table



Whitewebbs House

Hilly Fields



The Crown and Horseshoes

at Jubilee Hall on the morning of 5th December. The new card will be available from Pearsons and possibly Waterstone's, while the mixed packs are sold by the Enfield Town Post Office and some newsagents.

If ordering by post, please complete the enclosed Order Form. All our publications can now be ordered online from our website and paid for by debit or credit card as an alternative to sending a cheque. We use PayPal to process payment cards for us but you do not need a PayPal account. This is convenient for those who are not able to visit our sales tables in person and especially for people living overseas as currency conversions are taken care of automatically. This is the only way we can accept payments by cards.

Monica Smith

Edmonton

The Lamb Festival at All Saints Church was held again in June. There was an excellent concert by the North London Brass Band and a very interesting lecture by a member of the Lamb Society. It was disappointing for the Vicar, who organises this week of celebrations, that attendances were so poor, especially as all events were free.

The Edmonton group is concerned about the plans to turn the listed group of buildings at Angel Place into multiple accommodation units but planning applications have so far been rejected. Work at The Crescent is almost finished and all are pleased to see that this important Grade II building in a conservation area has been so well restored.

Monica Smith

Evening talk

The Bloomsbury Group

Monday 19th October, 7.30 for 8pm, Jubilee Hall.

Living in Squares, loving in triangles, that is the classic description of the Bloomsbury group. But this is rather simplified – many loved in various other shapes and they owned some lovely country houses, we visited two on last year's coach trip.

When I announced I was preparing a talk on the group the reactions ranged from, "fascinating I've always loved them" to "they were all just a load of conchies weren't they?" along with a "who?" and "we seemed to study them ad infinitum at school." Even today then they seem to

provoke strong and very diverse reactions. I also found a huge number of contemporary references to them, including a new ballet – Woolf Works – at the Royal Opera House, many exhibitions all around the country, a satirical radio programme – Gloombsbury – and only yesterday I heard the BBC are filming a new series about them.

So come along on Monday 19th October, 8pm in Jubilee Hall to find out more - and to give your opinion!

Janet McQueen

Coincidentally, Monica Smith is leading a walk through the Bloomsbury Squares and Gardens on Wednesday 28th October. See page 15.

Cycle Enfield

Cycle Enfield is a multi-faceted project designed to improve the quality of life in Enfield by encouraging and facilitating the use of bicycles for everyday journeys. Some of the schemes by which it does this include cycle rental, skills sessions and maintenance classes, but the major project is to provide convenient and safe cycle routes across the borough, for which it has received £30 million from the Greater London Authority.

An outline of the proposed routes is given at cycleenfield.co.uk/cycle-routes/, and a programme of consultations has started, with detailed plans being presented at public exhibitions and on the project's web site. The first such exhibition was held in Palmers Green in July, showing the route from London Road, Enfield, to the North Circular Road

with 2m wide cycles lanes on each side of the street. There will be raised "boarders" on the cycle lanes at bus stops where cyclists will have to give way to pedestrians boarding buses and some bus stops will be located between a cycle lane "bypass" and the motor carriageway, as shown in this visualisation.



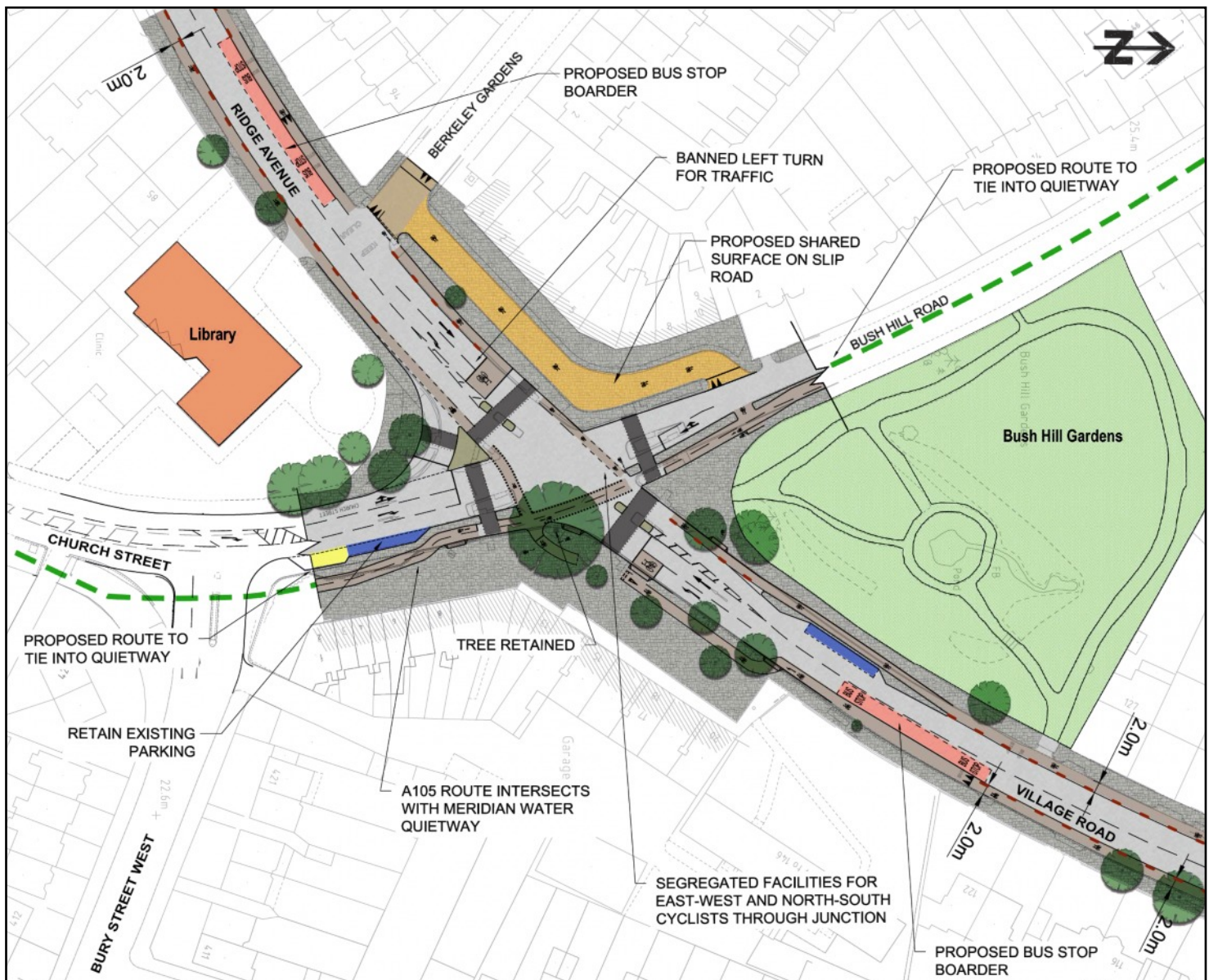
There will be connections between cycle routes and other roads with less traffic, labelled "quietways".

For much of the route there will be no space for on-street parking but a limited number of pay and display parking bays and loading bays will be provided.

The consultation on the A105 (Green Lanes) is open until 9th October. There will be an exhibition and consultation on the A110 through Enfield Town in September, and on the north and south sections of the A1010 (Hertford Road) in the coming winter and spring.

There is some opposition to the proposals, such as the campaign that has set up a web page at www.facebook.com/savegreenlanes. It will be interesting to see what the majority opinion is found to be as a result of the consultation. Whatever your views you are encouraged to participate.

Leonard Will



Extract from one of the draft plans, showing the junction of the A105 with Bush Hill Road and Church Street. North is to the right of the plan. See the full plans to see the legends and other notes, at www.consultations.cycleenfield.co.uk/traffic-and-transportation/a105scheme/consultation.

Enfield Society events

Tuesday mornings 10.00 for 10.30am, Jubilee Hall. No tickets required.

August: No meeting

29th September: *The art of the folly*, by Russell Bowes

27th October: *The Dick & Dave audio visual show* by Dick Williams

24th November: *Funny girls* by Geoff Bowden

15th December: *Free cup of coffee and mince pie* with a light-hearted quiz

Evening meetings, 7.30 for 8 p.m. at Jubilee Hall unless otherwise stated. No tickets required.

Monday 21st September. *The Titanic, from conception to construction*, a talk illustrated with artefacts, by Steve Jennings.

Monday 19th October. *The Bloomsbury Group*, an illustrated talk by Janet McQueen. See page 3 for details.

Monday 16th November. *The Lambs' Tale*, a DVD of a puppet show on the lives of Charles and Mary Lamb, introduced by Debbie Dean of Art Start.

Special events

Sunday 13th September. *Historic Buildings Group: Visit to Bush Hill Park Golf Club*. See page 12 for details.

Heritage walks

We have arranged two more walks. To book free places for one or both of these walks send your contact details including a telephone number and a stamped addressed envelope to Heritage Walks, Jubilee Hall, 2 Parsonage Lane, Enfield EN2 0AJ, stating how many tickets you would like (maximum 4 for each walk). The starting place for each walk will be shown on the tickets.

Saturday 5th September, 2.30pm. *Heritage walk at Enfield Lock*, led by Monica Smith and Ray Tuthill.

Saturday 10th October, 10am. *Heritage walk around Edmonton*, led by Monica Smith. The walk will include visits to Lambs Cottage and All Saints Church.

Email communications

If anyone would like to be added to our list for email communications, please let me know (r.stones@enfieldsociety.org.uk). There is no need to do this if you have already done so.

Richard Stones

The President's column



London Open House will take place on the weekend of 19/20 September this year. Unfortunately, in its straitened circumstances Enfield Council feels unable to afford the £4,000 entry fee. The Enfield Society was surprised and disappointed to learn of this. From enquiries with the central event organiser, it was clear that the great majority of London Boroughs had already signed up. At the same time there came from Enfield Council's Heritage Department a suggestion that the Society might be prepared to join with other organisations in supporting the venture. There was little time to consult on this, as the deadline was the end of May.

However, Open House is a unique annual occasion, much in line with our aims and objectives and, given the popularity and public benefit of the event, the Management Committee members concluded that the £4,000 would be money well spent. We agreed to donate the entry fee for this year only. It was not to be taken as a signal that, as a charity and voluntary organisation, the Society would take on ongoing commitments which should be the responsibility of Enfield Council. Time did not permit the full debate that this subject undoubtedly needs.

At the Enfield North Partnership Board Meeting on 23rd July seven options for the Enfield Town section were presented. However, the meeting was informed that TFL would only fund schemes that included two way traffic along Cecil Road. Accordingly, only four schemes would go forward for public consultation. Scheme 1, the original bid scheme; 2, a variant including one way southbound along Sarnesfield Road; and 6. and 6a., which had limited 'shared space' between Enfield Town Station and Silver Street and two way buses along Church Street!

Finally, as she steps down from the Management Committee after 24 years, I would like to record our appreciation of the huge contribution to the Society made by our newest Vice-President, Monica Smith. Her roles have been numerous – Chairman, Treasurer, in charge of our publishing activities, giving countless talks and leading walks, building up our profile in Edmonton and culminating in her fascinating Volume 4 of the History of Enfield "A Time of Change". We have been very fortunate to have had such a capable and enthusiastic member over the past 40 years.

Chris Jephcott

The Enfield Society needs your help

Talks organizer

Having organized a programme of interesting Tuesday morning talks for the Society for many years, Joyce James is resigning from that role at the end of 2015 and we are seeking a replacement.

We would be very pleased to hear from anyone willing to volunteer to take this on. For details, send a message to Joyce at our Jubilee Hall address or send an email message to J.James@enfieldsociety.org.uk



Assistance for our stand at the town show

The Society would like to hear from members who may be willing to assist in the organisation and operation of the Society stand at this year's Enfield Autumn Town Show over the weekend of 12/13 September. We need assistance in both setting up and taking down the stand and people prepared to undertake a two hour session on the stand engaging with visitors who wish to purchase Society publications and membership. If you would be interested in helping, please contact Bob Fowler – TES Publicity by telephone on (020) 8363 5732, or email R.Fowler@enfieldsociety.org.uk

New members

We warmly welcome the following news members

Ms J Broomfield, Mr R Davey, Mrs E Ellis, Mr S. & Mrs J. Elston, Mr S Gillingham, Dr R & Dr G Gilworth, Miss J I Milham, Mr R J & Mrs L Norris, Mr P Ridley, Mr K Shiels, Miss J Stones, Mr W A Thomas, Mr C Trawin, Miss S M Trawin, Mr G Turner, Ms E R Whittredge, Mr D Willan

Joyce James

Members' views sought – green belt under threat again?

Outer London Commission meeting: review of the London Plan

The Outer London Commission is currently holding a series of meetings in four key outer London boroughs to discuss strategies for dealing with London's burgeoning population, projected to be 11.27 million by 2050. Ideas raised at these forums will be submitted to the Mayor's office and be filtered into the London Plan which will be the touchstone for planning until 2050. The Enfield Meeting took place on July 15th.

Several members of the Enfield Society's management committee attended and spoke at the meeting. We were, particularly, interested in the impact of the intensification of housing and other forms of growth on the Green Belt and Metropolitan Open Spaces. Others attending included representatives from surrounding authorities and two Enfield councillors. Councillor Joanne Laban (Conservative) endorsed the recent statement by George Osborne, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, that the Green Belt remains sacrosanct, whilst Councillor Sitkin (Labour) took the view that parts of the Green Belt should be categorized as brownfield sites and, therefore, legitimate for development.

Some interested groups from areas close to London were keen to see "joined-up" development, whereby corridors of growth would stretch from inner London through to centres such as Harlow and Cambridge. Again, these schemes could impinge on the Green Belt so that it is no longer a belt but a series of wedges around London.

Other issues raised were the link between employment and housing. The meeting was asked to consider a number of questions: Should employment be more local, rather than outer London and beyond being dormitories of inner London commuters? How do we co-ordinate transport with housing growth?

Some of the options put forward which could impact on Enfield include town centre intensification and increasing density of occupation which would ensure that suburban housing is occupied to

the maximum extent and that future developments are at higher densities than at present.

The Outer London Commission has invited interested groups to make written submissions on the topic of growth by September 2015. The management committee intends to do so but would very much like to hear the views of our members, not just on the issue of the Green Belt but on the other ideas present in the Outer London Commission's strategies for growth. The Commission's website has a number of useful documents which outline some of the proposals under consideration. We look forward to hearing from you.

Moirra Wilkie

GROWTH OPTION 2: INCREASING DENSITIES IN AREAS WITH GOOD PUBLIC TRANSPORT



Figure 2: Overall population densities: Areas with good public transport

In this scenario most of this growth will be within inner London at 30% compared to outer London which will only grow by 4%, reflecting the generally higher levels of public transport within inner London. Again the map above illustrates the overall population densities across London if this scenario were to happen.

GROWTH OPTION 3: INCREASING DENSITIES IN TOWN CENTRES

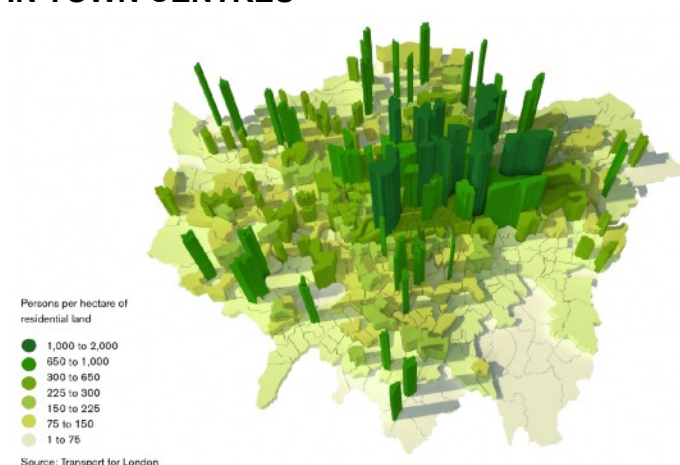


Figure 3: Overall population densities: Town Centres with good public transport

The scenario shows that inner London population would grow by 11% and outer London by 16%, reflecting the higher number of town centres in outer London than inner London. Again, the map above illustrates the overall population densities across London if this scenario were to happen.

Figures from: **Outer London Commission**. Background paper issue 1: **Options for growth**, June 2015.

www.london.gov.uk/olc/2015/part2/docs/OLC_background_paper_issue_1_options_for_growth_June_2015.pdf

GROWTH OPTION 1: TREND BASE

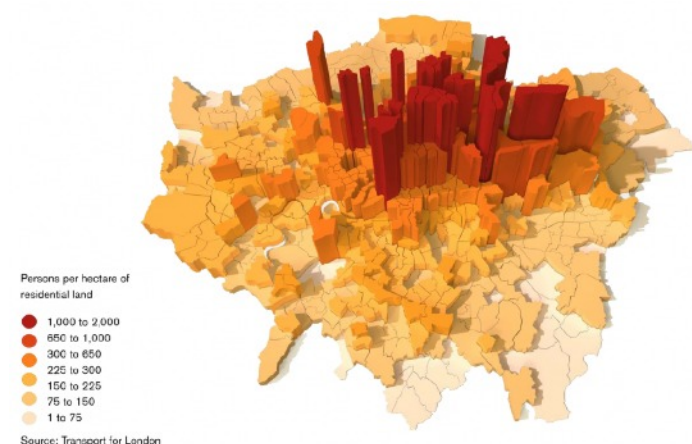


Figure 1: Overall population densities: Trend Base Growth

This scenario is based on the projecting forward the current trends of growth based on housing targets, as currently identified through the GLA 2013 SHLAA [Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment]. The map above illustrates the overall population densities. In this scenario the overall growth would be split between relatively evenly between inner and outer London at 16% and 14% respectively.

Face-to-face meeting with Council Officers

TES have four meetings a year with Council Officers, at director level, in order to raise concerns and give feedback on matters affecting our members. At our last meeting we discussed the following:–

1. Assets of community value and our concern that so many nominated assets had been rejected. At present only the Fox Public House at Palmers Green has been accepted.
2. Continuing deterioration of North Lodge Cottages, on the north-east side of the Ridgeway near St John School. The Council has agreed to enhance security of the empty premises, whilst their Legal Section sorts out a tenancy dispute.
3. Trent Park Mansion and Grounds – pending a new owner being sought after the Malaysian University pulled out, security has been upgraded with protective fencing and CCTV. Invasive vegetation has been cleared.
4. Enfield Council's future involvement with "Open House". An officer will look for external funding for 2016.
5. Need to move forward with adoption of permissive paths in Enfield's Greenbelt. A meeting will be set up with TES footpaths Group representatives and Dominic Millen in the Council's Traffic & Transportation Section. This is to ensure the cut-off for Ordnance Survey inclusion is not missed.
6. The Greenway from the Ridgeway to Hadley Wood – timescale for completion has slipped. Work will now commence in Spring 2016 and a pedestrian/cyclist access island will need to be installed on the Ridgeway .
7. Non-compliant activities in the Greenbelt – Planning Enforcement have served notice on South Lodge Farm (Enfield Road) to cease using farm as a van maintenance garage. We have asked for a review of retailing activity in some garden centres at Crews Hill where horticultural products have now become a tiny proportion of sales, the dominant activity being sale of clothing and furniture.
8. Sloeman's Farm (Whitewebbs Lane) - The Council was asked about its plans for this Farm, which it has recently bought. There will be discussions with a number of agricultural users and also a goat farmer! We were also assured that there is farming activity throughout Enfield Council's Greenbelt farms.
9. Yellow road traffic markings in conservation areas – we asked why raised broad yellow lines were painted in the Grangeway at Grange Park. These should be narrower lines and a lighter shade of yellow. The Council agreed to address this anomaly.
10. Trees on Council Property – we asked for there to be a procedure identifying notable trees on Council property when it is sold. This item arose after a mature oak tree was felled in Lavender Gardens.

Dave Cockle

Threat to Green Belt in Enfield Road

In our issue 179, Autumn 2010, we warned about "an unholy threat to the Green Belt" because of an agreement between the London Diocesan Fund, which owned fields on the south side of Enfield Road between Lowther Drive and Cotswold Way, and Fairview Homes, who wanted to build houses there. All went quiet for the past five years, but now the proposal has surfaced again with a suggestion from Fairviews that they should build a secondary school there as well as houses and we understand that

they hope to submit an application for planning permission in October. Although Green Belt land can be used for educational purposes, it should only be used for housing in very special circumstances which we do not believe apply to that area.

Joan Ryan MP has written to nearby residents and arranged a meeting to seek their views. The Head Teacher of Highlands School has written to parents saying "*The governing body have been asked whether they would wish to express an interest in being considered as an educational partner with Fairview New Homes and with that,*

School proposal threat to Grovelands estate

Grovelands House is one of only two Grade I listed buildings in the Borough of Enfield. Designed by John Nash, the house stands within the estate laid-out by Humphrey Repton, the foremost landscape designer of the 18th century, yet within these ancient woodlands Enfield Council proposes to build a new primary school, in spite of its Grade II* listing and Metropolitan Open Land status. The Grovelands Residents' Association vigorously objects to the loss of this important public amenity.

More than a year ago, English Heritage insisted that a Historic Parks Survey be carried out and says that it will make no public comment until the long-overdue survey and detailed plans are published. Nevertheless, English Heritage has said that it has advised the Council that it must make an assessment of the significance of the historic landscape.

The Council first presented outline plans in July 2013. Objections made by local residents included the impact on wildlife and the likely danger to children as the school would be accessed directly from The Bourne, one of Southgate's busiest and most congested roads.

Furthermore, most of the expected growth in demand for school places will arise from the major developments near the North Circular Road. With a new primary school at Ashmole now approved, the proposed loss of part of the historic Grovelands estate is unnecessary as well as ill-conceived.

Frank Farmer

Grovelands Residents' Association

the opportunity to create an exciting new school with very close links to Highlands. At its meeting on Monday July 6th the governing body agreed unanimously that they wished to register their interest in order to further discuss the possibilities."

In 2010 we reported that Enfield Council opposed development on this site, and we hope that this stance will be maintained. The Enfield Society will work with "Enfield Road Watch" (a local pressure group), The Western Enfield Residents Association and other groups to resist this attack on our green belt.

Dave Cockle / Leonard Will

Other organizations' events

This list gives a selection of forthcoming events arranged by organisations other than The Enfield Society. Other events and updates may be found on our web site at www.enfieldsociety.org.uk and on the Enfield Council site at www.enfield.gov.uk/events/

Until 10 January 2016, Dugdale Centre. Just Married – 150 years of Enfield weddings. An Enfield Museum exhibition. Open 9am- 5pm. Monday to Saturday, 10am-1pm Sunday. Free.

Wednesday 12th – Thursday 27th August, Salisbury House, Bury Street West. Craft Workshops for children, young people and adults, organised by ArtStart. Details of dates and times at v1.bookwhen.com/artstart

Saturday 15th August, 12noon – 4pm. All Saints Church, Church Street, Edmonton Summer Fete.

Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd August 12 noon – 4.30 pm, Capel Manor Gardens. British Gladiolus and Gough Park Allotment Show. £5.50, concessions £4.50.

Sunday 23rd August, 12 noon onwards, Chase Green. Community picnic. [Friends of Chase Green]

Saturday 29 August 12 noon – 11 pm, Forty Hall Farm. Livestock Music Festival. £10 (in advance) £15 (on the door)

Wednesday 2nd September 10–11.30 am, Myddelton House Gardens. Gardeners' Coffee Morning – tour of the gardens with coffee, cake and gardeners' question time. £10.

Sunday 6th September 12 noon – 5pm, Forty Hall. Spirit of Ukraine – Traditional music, dance and food. Free.

Sunday 6th September 12 noon – 7pm. Broomfield Park. Palmers Green Festival. Free.

Friday 11th September, 7.30 for 8pm, Jubilee Hall. Vice-Presidential Address, by Jon Cotton [EAS]

Saturday 12th – Sunday 13th September. 11am – 6pm, Enfield Town Park. Enfield Town and Country Show. Visit the Enfield Society stall. £5 (£4 concessions)

Saturday 12th – Sunday 13th September. 11am – 4pm. Heritage Open Days outside London. Rye House Gatehouse (Grade I listed) is among the buildings open. Free.

Wednesday 16th – Sunday 20th September, Lee Valley White Water Centre, Waltham Abbey. Canoe Slalom World Championships. £5-£24. For information: Canoelondon2015.com

Wednesday 16th September, 7.45 for 8pm, Jubilee Hall. Remembering the Dunholme Road air disaster. A talk looking at the fatal events of Sunday 4th September 1938, when a Hawker Audax bi-plane crashed in Edmonton, killing 13 people and injuring many more. [EHHS]

Saturday 19th – Sunday 20th September, Open House, London. Among local buildings open is Myddelton House (Saturday only 10am-4pm). See page 1. Free.

Wednesday 23rd September 10am – 1pm. Meet at Myddelton House. New River Walk. £3.50

Tuesday 29th September 2015 weekly until Tuesday 15th December 2015, 7.15 – 8.45pm, Jubilee Hall. Enfield local history course, by Joe Studman. A 12 week introductory course charting the history of Enfield, Edmonton and Southgate. The course will be repeated on Wednesday mornings, starting on 7th October. Cost £60.00 for the course which can be booked for either the Tuesday evening or

Wednesday morning sessions. See www.jaywalks.co.uk/the-city.html for details.

Friday 9th October, 7.30 for 8pm, Jubilee Hall. London in the not so dark ages, by Lyn Blackmore. [EAS]

Saturday 24th October, Jubilee Hall. Day conference: Magna Carta, the Mayoral Charter and the Edmonton Hundred. Fees for full day / half day are £10 / £5 for members of EHHS, £12 / £6 for non-members. [EHHS]

Friday 13th November 7.30 for 8pm, Jubilee Hall. Archaeology and conservation at the site of Aphrodisias, Turkey, by Val Munday, EAS. [EAS]

EAS: Enfield Archaeological Society. Visitors are very welcome (£1.00 per person). www.enfarchsoc.org/index.html

EHHS: Edmonton Hundred Historical Society. www.edmontonhundred.org.uk. Talks are free to members – there is a charge of £1 per head for visitors.

Exhibition of a history of the area and parish of Clay Hill from 1850 to today

To celebrate the recent renovation of the pipe organ in St Luke's Church, Clay Hill, Enfield, an exhibition has been launched about the history of the parish of Clay Hill and the surrounding area from 1850 to the present time.

The exhibition is in St Luke's Church in Phipps Hatch Lane, EN2 0HL.

It runs to the end of October 2015 and will be open Wednesdays to Saturdays from 10am to 4pm. Admission is free. Refreshments will be available in Karen's Kitchen in the church.

Topics in the exhibition include

- How the extension of the railway was the catalyst for extensive redevelopment of the area, the origins of some of the roads and their names, an introduction to businesses, schools and other aspects of education and welfare in the area.
- How St John's parish was created in 1867, why it was divided in 1899 creating St Luke's parish and then how the two parishes were reunited in 1987 forming the Parish of St John & St Luke, Clay Hill.
- A pictorial history of the buildings and social activities in the parish and the story of Rev Vincent Travers Macy and his wife Susannah, who had such a lasting impact not only on the parish but also the whole area.
- A brief history of pipe organs and an explanation of how they work. The story of St Luke's pipe organ, built in 1906, why it needed renovation and how that renovation has been undertaken.

"Fringe benefice" – a history of the parish and area of Clay Hill

In addition to the exhibition, a detailed history of the parish has been compiled called "Fringe benefice". This is based on a previous history of St Luke's parish, but now combined with the history of St John's parish from the mid-1850s, right through to the present day. The book is over 175 pages long, contains almost 90 black and white photographs and maps and is fully indexed. Copies with comb bindings will be available for sale for £10.

For further information about both the exhibition and book call John Wright on (020) 8482 2936.

Roger Elkin

Enfield's local heritage list –an update

The Council, the Enfield Society and Urban Vision – consultants appointed by the Council – have moved very quickly and effectively on this project. The criteria for listing and a form for proposing structures have now been created and the Borough divided into about 50 areas. Two of three training sessions have been held for volunteers, who have come representing such diverse groups as local neighbourhood associations, and the Enfield Racial and Equality Council, as well as a multitude of other local societies. If you have another hat and belong to a



Mick Downs and Hannah Barter of *Urban Vision* explaining the project to a group of volunteers in Jubilee Hall

group you think may be interested in getting involved then do mention the project to them. The idea is to have a list representing and celebrating the diversity of Enfield so we would like as many people as possible to get involved.

The criteria that have been created are based on the recommendations from Historic England and include aspects of buildings such as: historic value, which includes age, rarity, etc.; townscape value – for example urban design or architectural quality; and local cultural value encompassing social or communal value and aesthetic merit. Structures other than buildings will also be considered, for example designed landscapes (though not natural ones) and street furniture.

The training sessions held so far and attended by about 30 people were very interesting. They involved a presentation on the project and criteria by Urban Vision and then a practice session on the street looking at a building and using the form. Everyone then volunteered to take

on an area, sometimes in pairs or on behalf of an organisation particularly involved in a neighbourhood. A pack containing various support items and documents was given to everyone and there will be follow up sessions as well as ongoing email support from the consultants for all the volunteers.

We hope to have completed the survey work by the beginning of November this year and then the project team will compile the list and do any extra working up of the proposed structures, contact

owners of properties etc. and the final list should be prepared by spring next year.

Besides volunteering to survey the streets you can participate by suggesting buildings or other structures. The Enfield Society is compiling a list of such proposed structures and if at the end of the process there are items on that list which have not been identified by the volunteers they will be considered individually.

However don't be lazy – you can yet volunteer, we need more people to cover all the streets of the Borough.

If you – or someone you know – would like to participate there is still time, and areas not yet covered. The third training session is on the afternoon of Thursday September 17th in Jubilee Hall and though we have 14 places already booked there is



A practical session – volunteers assessing buildings against the criteria on the report form

space. Send an email message to LocalListTES@enfieldsociety.org.uk or telephone or write to Jubilee Hall 2, Parsonage Lane, Enfield, EN2 0AJ, tel. 020 8363 9495 if you would like to attend or participate in any other way.

Janet McQueen

Visit to the Enfield Local Studies Centre and Archive

In April 2015, 30 members of the Society visited the Enfield Local Studies Centre and Archive at the Dugdale Centre. The visit was organised by Stephen Gilbert who leads the Society's Historic Buildings Group. The archivist, John Clark, and his team arranged a display of the wide range of documents that are available. The Local Studies Centre identifies, acquires and preserves archival materials that document the history of the London Borough of Enfield and makes these records available to the public. Among the records are electoral registers, census returns, school records, Council documents, street directories and a large number of photographs. A wide range of maps, mediaeval and later, show the development of the Borough; including the enclosure maps, landed estates and bomb damage during World War II.

The Centre can access and search on-line genealogy sites and a wide range of material such as London parish records, immigration records and railway employee records. Local newspapers are available dating back to the first local paper published in 1859. Members were impressed by the amount of material that is available and the support that can be given in researching family and property issues. Thanks to John Clark and his colleagues at the Dugdale Centre for a very enlightening visit. Members who wish to contact the local Studies Centre should telephone 020 8379 2724 or email local.history@enfield.gov.uk

John West

Streetlife

The Streetlife website is a British social network for local communities with the aim to help people make the most of where they live by connecting with their neighbours and sharing practical information, advice and resources.

If you input your postcode, you can be connected to comments and thoughts from your neighbours. Recent topics in the Enfield area have included missing cats, suggestions for reliable tradesmen, cleaners and gardeners, comments about motorists not respecting the zebra crossing in Chase Side, the state of the A10 underpass, Enfield market, goods offered and wanted, table tennis and yoga sessions – in fact all the general chat that you might miss if you don't frequent your local pub, or if it has closed. Try it out at www.streetlife.com.

Leonard Will

Historic buildings

Forty Hill. Part 2

The photographs marked * were provided by Enfield Local Studies Centre and Archive. The photographs marked ** are from The Enfield Society's collection. Stephen Gilbert



The 17th century former thatched and weatherboarded old Goat is first recorded as an inn in 1721 and included stables and a yard. Staff and customers are shown outside the inn around 1900. It was converted into Goat House after the new Goat was opened in 1929 (see *Enfield Society News* no. 198)



The early 19th century three storey yellow brick Forty Hill House has a fine pedimented porch with fluted Doric columns. It has been converted into flats.



Longbourn was built in 1720 as a farmhouse. A stucco facade and the north wing were added in about 1800. The south wing, porch with Ionic columns and pediment are Victorian. The view of the garden front dates from 1918 when the house was known as The Elms.



Historic buildings



Elsyng House is early 18th century, with Elsyng Cottage being added on the left in the late 18th century. The first floor windows are lunettes, while those on the ground floor are Venetian with Doric pilasters. Elsyng House was once the home of Cuthbert Whitaker, author of a history of Enfield (1911).



The 19th century Clock House Nursery Cottage has attractive latticed windows and decorated barge boards. The porch and extension are modern



The three-storey stuccoed 19th century Clock House at the top of Forty Hill is now divided into flats. The 1860s view of the garden front shows the original size of the house before a third storey and two rounded bays with tall windows were added.

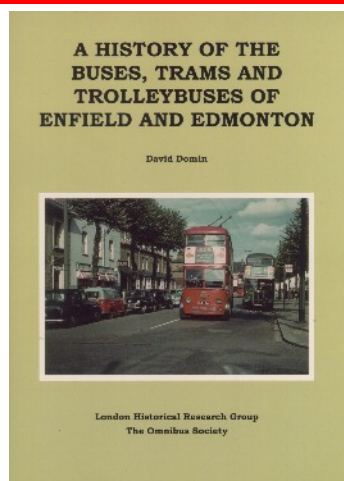


The late 18th century red brick Waltham Cottage was restored in the 20th century and a modern extension was added.



The two-storey 18th century Sparrow Hall was originally a timber farmhouse to which a red brick facade was added in 1802. Between 1835 and 1963 it served as Jesus Church vicarage. Various extensions were added between 1835 and 1840.

Book review



This is really a book for the transport enthusiast: its focus is to trace in detail the workings of the tram, trolleybus and bus routes which were operated over the years from the depots at Southbury Road and Tramway Avenue, Ponders End. It may therefore strike the more general reader as a rather dry recital (enlivened by the odd unexpected diversion, eg into the history of Temple Bar). However behind the details of vehicle types and tabulation of routes there is an interesting story of transport evolution. Horse trams started to run along the Hertford Road towards the City from 1881; they were replaced for a period by an abortive experiment with steam trams; then Brimsdown Power station was built to power the electric trams which reached Tramway Avenue by 1905 (in the process causing the withdrawal of passenger trains from the Southbury Loop, which was only revived in 1960). Trams reached Enfield Town from Wood Green along Green Lanes in 1909, and from Ponders End in 1911. Till 1939 you could take a number 29 tram from the Town to Tottenham Court Road north of Euston Road; or a 26 from outside Enfield Town Station to Ponders End, where you could change for a tram to Smithfield (the rather odd London termini are explained by the fact that trams were banned from much of central London).

The private companies which ran outer London's buses and trams were the subject of the pioneering nationalisation which created London Transport in 1933. The new management thought trams obstructed the traffic and replaced them by trolleybuses: so from 1939 to 1960 you would take a 629 trolleybus to Tottenham Court Road. Then trolleybuses in turn went out of fashion.

From then on motor buses have reigned supreme. There has been a lot of continuity – the route from Enfield to Potters Bar has been the 313 since the 1920s – but also change. The book is well illustrated and reminded me of the variety of colour schemes which flowered in the early days of privatisation: I had forgotten that in the 1990s the 307 sported lemon and purple and the 313 grey and green, before a minister decided to tell the private companies that they must paint their buses red.

Richard Stones

Historic building visit

Visit to Old Park, Bush Hill on Sunday 13th September

Old Park, with its Iron Age hill fort, is first mentioned in the Domesday Book of 1086. In the early 17th century a ranger's lodge was erected on the 230 acre estate. In 1660 Charles II granted the estate to George Monk, Duke of Albemarle. After the estate reverted to the crown, William III granted it to the Earl of Rutland in 1688.

In 1735 the estate was sold to Samuel Clayton and the house was occupied by members of the Clayton family until 1809. It was subsequently occupied by Rev. T. Winchester Lewis and his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Isaac Walker of Arncliffe Grove. Their daughter Elizabeth married the antiquarian Edward

Enfield Local Studies Library



Old Park, from an old print

windows. However the locally listed house still retains many attractive earlier features, including a decorative plaster ceiling and a trompe l'oeil ceiling painting at the top of the staircase. The neighbouring stable block is also locally listed.



Ford (1814-1893), who was the co-author of *A history of Enfield* in 1873, with George Hodson, vicar of Enfield. Edward and Elizabeth's son John Walker Ford more than doubled the size of the house and also wrote a history of Bush Hill Park in 1904.

In 1922 Hugh Rawlinson Ford arranged the sale of the house and estate to Bush Hill Park Golf Club. The golf club made a number of alterations to the house, including the insertion of picture

There will be an opportunity for a group of members of the Enfield Society to see Old Park on Sunday 13th September. Old Park may be reached by bus W8 or 329 to the bottom of Bush Hill. The entrance gate will be open for cars and pedestrians from 2.30pm, and at 3pm Joe Studman will give an introductory talk at the house. After the visit afternoon tea will be available at Bush Hill Park Golf Club.

To book a free place on the visit, please send your contact details, including your telephone number and a stamped addressed envelope, to Old Park Visit, Jubilee Hall, 2 Parsonage Lane, Enfield EN2 0AJ, stating how many tickets you would like (maximum 4). If you would also like to have the afternoon tea, then enclose a cheque made payable to The Enfield Society for £7.50 per person.

Stephen Gilbert

Trees

In the summer newsletter we reported on the successful re-launch of the Trees Group. Since then, the volunteers have been busy tidying up the allotment and producing a detailed schedule of all the trees. The Society has over 100 saplings and approximately 30 are ready for planting out during the autumn.

At a recent on-site meeting with Enfield's Senior Arboricultural Officer, it was agreed that the Council will help to identify sites on various parks and open spaces where it will be possible to plant some of the trees. The

Council has recently taken over responsibility for housing sites from Enfield Homes and a number of open spaces on the estates are also in need of new trees. We are looking forward to working with the Council as well as Friends of Parks groups on future tree planting projects. This will help us to meet one of the Society's aims, namely to promote the conservation and enhancement of the natural environment in Enfield by encouraging tree planting and protecting existing trees.

If you are interested in helping the Group or have ideas for tree planting, please contact trees@enfieldsociety.org.uk

John West

Forty Hall Education Programme

As members will know, the Society sponsors the Education Programme at Forty Hall. This provides a wide variety of educational activities for schoolchildren, making use of the history of Forty Hall and the lives of people who lived there. The activities are targeted to the needs of the curriculum but are also enjoyable – they help to make the children (and their teachers) more aware of all the fascinating things which Forty Hall has to offer.

Not all schools in the borough find it easy to fund the cost of transport to Forty Hall, and we are prepared to offer financial support for this. Here are reports from two schools for which we provided funding in the last year.

“The children’s educational visit to Forty Hall was a huge success. We arrived in the magnificent grounds and were greeted by our friendly and knowledgeable host, Helen.

The session allowed the children to compare maps of the local area, make use of Ordnance Survey symbols and explore the grounds and the Hall itself. It ties in well with the new National Curriculum. I would highly recommend a visit to Forty Hall and we are very appreciative of the support by The Enfield Society.” – Keys Meadow Primary School

“I brought a Year 3 class to Forty Hall for a visit and taught session to learn about our local area history. The children were captivated by Helen and the house itself from the moment we arrived, and loved hearing all about Sir Nicholas Rainton and how he came to build Forty Hall. The session was adapted for our learning specifically with compass and map work brought in at my request, which helped the children understand the proximity to Elsyng Palace and that it was within riding distance of London – thus realising the desirability of the location. We were able to tour the house and found the interactivity within each room particularly enjoyable, especially the kitchen. The trip was so beneficial to my class that we followed it up with a class assembly about Sir Nicholas! Overall, it was excellent value for money and I would highly recommend a trip to Forty Hall and a session by Helen.” – Caroline Mansi, St James CE Primary School, Enfield.

If you know a school which might benefit from a visit, do suggest that they contact the Education officer at Forty Hall (020 8363 8196). For help with transport costs, contact me.

Richard Stones

Local students discover how the First World War affected Enfield

In May 2015, Enfield Museum took delivery of a new school loan box and resource pack, sponsored by The Enfield Society.

This new resource is designed to be used by local primary schools, studying the First World War as a local history study unit during the Centenary Commemorations.

The box contains 26 objects from Enfield Museum's handling collection along with a teachers' resource pack to support learning about the impact of the war on the local area.

Students are encouraged to use their historical enquiry skills to select, ask questions of and draw conclusions from a range of objects covering themes such as life for soldiers, what it was like on the home front, what effect the conflict had on Enfield and its people and how it has been remembered in the past as well as today.

The resource pack was developed with the support of Vicky Clifton (Humanities Coordinator at Chase Side Primary School) to ensure that the resources produced met the requirements of the new National Curriculum.



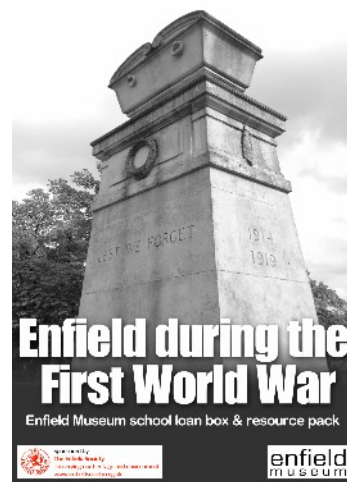
A selection of objects from Enfield Museum's handling collection included in the loan box developed by the project.

Enfield, designing a fundraising campaign to support the war effort and creating a newspaper commemorating the end of the war.

After using the resources over a six week period during the spring term, their teacher said that: “Children were engaged throughout the topic. The range of activities and lesson themes gave them a comprehensive overview of the impact of the First World War on local life, but also led to and answered a range of other questions.”

The loan box and resource pack were designed to be a legacy of the ‘Enfield at War’ exhibition, which came to an end in January 2015. The ‘Enfield during the First World War’ school loan box can now be borrowed by local schools and the resource pack can be downloaded from www.enfield.gov.uk/museum.

Rob Shakespeare



Title page of the new resource pack, sponsored by The Enfield Society.

60 students from two Year 3 classes at Chase Side Primary School trialled the resources following a visit to the ‘Enfield at War’ exhibition. Enfield Museum supported the project by arranging for the students to experience an historical enactor describing the events of the Cuffley airship raid, which was a notable event for the local area during the war and a key feature of the exhibition. While using the objects in class, students completed a variety of activities such as deciding what to send to a soldier serving overseas in their ‘Princess Mary Christmas tin’, drawing and writing a postcard describing life in



A monstrous regiment of children hold a Civil War soldier prisoner during an educational enactment at Forty Hall.

Future walks

Travel details are correct at press date but TES cannot be responsible for alterations. As rail travel can be subject to change, especially at weekends, always check (either via 08457 48 49 50 or the operating train company website). For TfL area Tube, DLR, London Overground and bus details, ring 0343 222 1234 or check TfL website. Always bring your Freedom Pass or National Bus Pass.

For Hertfordshire bus times see www.intalink.org.uk

Reduced price travel on most local trains around London: Groupsave applies to 3 to 9 people travelling together who will get a discount of about 34% each in respect of Off-Peak Day Single and Return tickets and, when available, Super Off-Peak Day Single and Return tickets. Cannot be used in conjunction with any Railcards or promotions and you must travel as a group throughout.

Please wear walking boots or stout walking shoes.

Sat 15 Aug. London Loop. Meet 11.03 West Drayton Station. Either travel with Dave on 09.30 train from Enfield Chase or meet him at 09.56 at platforms 9-11 King's Cross mainline station, or, meet him at Paddington mainline station for 10.42 First Great Western Reading train. All travel covered by Freedom Pass.

Today's 6 to 7 mile linear walk is full of contrasts – Grand Union Canal, Stockley Countryside golf and hi-tech Business Park planted with over 140,000 trees/shrubs, River Crane and Cranford Park, ending at Hatton Cross Piccadilly Line Station. Shorter options including from lunch stop near Hayes (bring lunch or food available). Details: (020) 8366 2242 or 07948 204 025. *Leader: Dave Cockle*

Sat 22 Aug. Epping Forest. Meet 10.33 Manor Park Station (10.20 TfL Rail Shenfield train from Liverpool Street mainline station). About 8 mile linear walk from Wanstead Flats via the open spaces, commons, heaths, lakes and woodland that form the southern part of the Forest, ending at Chingford. Many shorter options. Bring lunch or food available. All travel within Freedom Pass area. Details: 07904 193 098. *Leader: John West*

Bank Holiday Mon 31 Aug. Valleys of the Rivers Lea and Stort. Meet 10.15 Broxbourne Station (09.44 London Overground train from Southbury Station

and change at Cheshunt for 10.09 train; or by direct train at 09.55 from Tottenham Hale which also stops at intermediate stations).

Note: Freedom Pass now applies on Southbury Loop from previous Turkey Street boundary to Cheshunt – payment needed beyond Cheshunt. If using Tottenham Hale line, then Freedom Pass boundary remains unchanged at Enfield Lock.

About 8.5 mile circular walk via these waterways and the New River with lunch stop in Roydon Village. Bring lunch or food available and option to end at Roydon Station. Contact on day of walk only: 07784 738 206. *Leader: Brian Frear*

Sat 5 Sept. Commons and Woods. Meet 10.56 Hayes (Kent) Station. Either 10.00 Hayes train from Cannon Street mainline station which also stops at 10.04 at London Bridge mainline station (platforms 1-3). Alternatively, 10.17 Hayes train from Charing Cross mainline station. *Note: Breda will meet group at Hayes.*

8 mile circular walk in pretty countryside via Hayes Commons, Keston Woods/Ponds, Leaves Green (lunch stop) and Nash Valley. Option to end at lunch, returning to Hayes/Bromley by bus. Bring lunch or pub food probably available. All travel covered by Freedom Pass. *Leader: Breda Jenkins*

Sat 12/Sun 13 Sept. No walks: Enfield Town Show & National Heritage Open Days Weekend.

Mon 14 Sept. Epping Forest Stroll. Meet 11.00 Chingford Bus Station (at TES newscopy date 313 buses from Church Street, Enfield Town, at 09.49 and 10.09 arrive 10.19 and 10.39).

During this 2 hour (3 mile) almost circular walk Norman will explain various geological features of the Forest associated with the River Ching and include a walk around Connaught Water. Ends at Royal Forest Hotel/Butlers Retreat for lunch (about 10 mins from Chingford bus station). Please note: this walk will be a gentle relaxed stroll suitable for those who do not want to stride out and will be at Norman's pace *only*. Contact on day of walk *only*: 07984 813 636. *Leader: Norman Coles*

Sat 19/Sun 20 Sept. No walks: Open House London Weekend.

Tues 22 Sept. Woodhall Park and Estate. Meet 10.15 Watton-at-Stone Station (09.45 train from Enfield Chase) for a contrasting figure of eight walk through attractive and varied countryside. Both morning and afternoon

sections are about 4 miles each and walk can be left or joined at the lunch stop in Watton. If joining, meet group in village centre by 14.00 (trains arrive at 12.44 & 13.44). Bring lunch or food available.

Leader: Stuart Mills

Sat 26 Sept. Visit and/or walk to Knole House/Park & Ightham Mote. Meet 10.45 Sevenoaks Station. Either 10.03 Tunbridge Wells train from Cannon Street mainline station which also stops at 10.07 at London Bridge mainline station (platforms 1-3). Alternatively, 10.10 Tonbridge train from Charing Cross mainline station. Martin will meet group at Sevenoaks Station. *Zone 6 Freedom Pass boundary is Knockholt.*

Note: As Martin will use buses between the station and Old Sevenoaks, and Knole House is only 1 mile from the latter, today's walk would be suitable for anyone who would like to visit Knole House for the day and make their own return to Sevenoaks Station.

With great views from the Greensand Ridge, the full 8 to 8.5 mile circular walk joins these two National Trust properties via ancient parkland and woods. Hilly in places. Lunch stop will be at Ightham Mote restaurant picnic area (no admission charge) with, hopefully, time for a quick visit to the gardens and/or house (*bring N.T. ticket*). Contact: (020) 8882 3602 or 07534 433 578. *Leader: Martin Langer*

Wed 30 Sept. River Lee Country Park. Meet 10.24 Cheshunt Station. Either 10.14 London Overground train from Southbury Station (Freedom Pass valid to Cheshunt), or, by direct train at 09.55 from Tottenham Hale which also stops at intermediate stations (arrives at 10.09 and fare payable from Enfield Lock Freedom Pass boundary). 7 to 8 mile circular walk via a patchwork of lakes, waterways, open spaces and countryside. Bring lunch or food available. Contact on day of walk *only*: 07784 738 206.

Leader: Brian Frear

Sat 3 Oct. Constable Country. Travel with Nigel on the 10.02 Abellio Ipswich train from Liverpool Street mainline station arriving Manningtree Station at 11.12. *Note: Freedom Pass boundary for this journey is at Zone 6 Harold Wood.*

Crossing from Essex into Suffolk, a delightful 7.5 mile circular walk following in Constable's footsteps in the beautiful River Stour Valley, visiting some of the locations featured in his paintings, including picturesque Dedham Village and Flatford Mill. Bring lunch or food available. With so much of interest to see, the Group will return on 17.53 train from Manningtree (arrives 18.55 at

Liverpool Street). Details: 07973 747 454. *Leader: Nigel King*

Sat 10 Oct. London Loop. Either travel with Dave on **09.00** train from Enfield Chase or meet him at **10.30** at Hatton Cross Station (Piccadilly Line).

9.5 mile linear walk initially following the River Crane and nature reserves, then across Hounslow Heath before rejoining the Crane. The final section crosses Cardinal Wolsey's Bushy Park with waterways, lakes, woodland gardens and deer to end at Hampton Wick Station. Many shorter options. Bring lunch or food available. *All travel within Freedom Pass area.* Details: (020) 8366 2242 or 07948 204 025. *Leader: Dave Cockle*

Tues 13 Oct. Elizabethan North Mymms Park. Meet **10.38** Brookmans Park Station (10.13 Welwyn train from Finsbury Park or at 10.35 from Potters Bar Station) on Welwyn-bound platform, NOT at car park entrance. *Freedom Pass boundary is Hadley Wood.* About 6 to 7 mile circular walk through varied farmland, Royal Veterinary College land, hidden streams and North Mymms woods and parkland. Lunch stop in South Mimms Village – bring lunch or pub food available and option to end with bus return to Potters Bar/Barnet. *Leader: Mick Spinks*

Sat 17 Oct. Regent's Canal, Regent's Park and Little Venice. Departing promptly at **10.15** from entrance to Platform 9, King's Cross mainline station (09.30 train from Enfield Chase arrives 09.56). A linear walk of changing scenes, from the regeneration area near King's Cross, then the Canal itself, Camden Lock, the gardens and lakes of Regent's Park, and ending at picturesque Little Venice. Many shorter options. Bring lunch or food available. Contact on day of walk *only*: 07784 738 206. *Leader: Brian Frear*

Sat 24 Oct. Epping Forest North. Meet **10.30** Chingford Bus Station (at TES news copy date 313 buses from Church Street, Enfield Town, at 09.39 & 09.59 arrive 10.04 & 10.27). 7 to 8 mile linear walk through the early Autumn colours of Epping Forest via some of the higher parts of the Forest, including the Iron Age Fort of Ambresbury Banks, ending in Epping Town. Return by tube &/or bus. Possible shorter option. Bring lunch or food available. *All travel covered by Freedom Pass.* Details: 07904 193 098. *Leader: John West*

Wed 28 Oct. Bloomsbury Squares and Gardens. Meet **10.20** at entrance to Platform 9, King's Cross mainline station, for 2.5 to 3 hour linear walk exploring Bloomsbury and hearing about

some of the literary and historical characters that have lived in the area. Contact on day of walk *only*: 07931 963 086. *Leader: Monica Smith*

Sat 31 Oct. Autumn in the Colne Valley. Meet **10.34** Rickmansworth Station. Either 09.42 Metropolitan Line train from King's Cross St Pancras or 10.12 Chiltern Railways Aylesbury train from Marylebone mainline station (Bakerloo Line from Oxford Circus). *All travel covered by Freedom Pass.* About 7.5 mile circular walk through an attractive mix of lakes, waterways, canal and farmland. Bring lunch or food available. *Leader: Stuart Mills*

Thurs 5 Nov. Visit to William Morris Gallery, Vestry House Museum and Old Walthamstow. Meet **10.30** Walthamstow Central Station (near Victoria Line ticket office). About 3 mile circular walk exploring a less well known but historic London village with visits to these interesting museums and external viewing of other buildings. Full route ends mid-afternoon with lunch stop near the Vestry House (various eating places nearby) but can be ended earlier as Walthamstow Central only 10-15 mins away at all times. Contact on day of walk *only*: 07946 729 053. *Leaders: Vanessa & Margaret*

Sat 14 Nov. London Loop. Meet **10.42** Hampton Wick Station. Either travel with Dave on 09.00 train from Enfield Chase or meet him at Vauxhall mainline station for **10.16** South West Trains Shepperton train.

About 7.5 mile linear walk from The Thames, mainly following the surprisingly green corridor of the Hogsmill River to near its source in Ewell and passing the locations for the famous Pre-Raphaelite paintings of "The Hireling Shepherd" and "Ophelia".

Route ends at Ewell West Station for return to Vauxhall. Shorter options. Bring lunch or food available. *All travel within Freedom Pass area.* Details: (020) 8366 2242 or 07948 204 025. *Leader: Dave Cockle*

Wed 18 Nov. Highgate to Hampstead. Meet **10.20** Archway station. Either Northern Line or about 15 mins by 210 bus from Finsbury Park (Wells Terrace) bus station. A varied 7 mile linear walk of contrasting scenes via Highgate Village, Parliament Hill

Fields, Kenwood Estate, Hampstead Heath and Village. Shorter options. Lunch stop at Kenwood House – bring lunch or food available and option to join group for afternoon walk only (be at Brew House café by **13.30**). Walk ends with return by Northern Line or 210 bus. Details: 07904 193 095. *Leader: John West*

Sat 21 Nov. Rib Valley. Meet **10.25** Ware Station. Either 09.44 London Overground train from Southbury Station (Freedom Pass valid to Cheshunt) and change at Cheshunt for 10.09 train. Otherwise, by direct train at 09.55 from Tottenham Hale which also stops at intermediate stations (Freedom Pass boundary is Enfield Lock).

About 7.5 mile circular walk with lunch stop in Wadesmill Village and option to end by returning to Ware by bus. Bring lunch or food available. *Leader: Stuart Mills*

Sat 28 Nov. Green Chain Walk. Meet **10.20** Falconwood Station. Either travel with Roy on 09.00 train from Enfield Chase (he will join at Grange Park) or meet him at 09.26 at entrance to Platform 9, King's Cross mainline station. Trains to Falconwood are either by 09.39 Southeastern Dartford train from Victoria or by 09.54 Southeastern Slade Green train from Cannon Street (calling at London Bridge platforms 1-3 at 09.58). *All travel within Freedom Pass area.*

About 7.5 mile circular walk via woods, open spaces, historic buildings and Avery Hill Park. Shorter options, including from lunch stop near Mottingham Station. Bring lunch or food available. Details: roynicholls@btinternet.com or (020) 8360 0282. *Leader: Roy Nicholls*

Stuart Mills

John R Bourne



Don't look now, but we are being followed! These cattle seemed intent on joining the Ash Valley walk led by Nigel King on 16th May, or were they simply listening to Dave and Stuart!

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Chenies Manor



On 30th April TES members enjoyed a short walk through the Chess Valley near Chorleywood and a visit to the house and gardens of Chenies Manor, with a fine display of Spring flowers and thousands of tulips. Thanks to Breda Jenkins for organizing the day.

(Photographs by John R Bourne)

Ramblers Association Pathwatch

The Ramblers Association are running a survey this autumn to report on the state of public footpaths in England. You are invited to help by choosing a 1 km grid square on an Ordnance Survey "Explorer" map and recording the condition of all the footpaths shown in green within that square, either on paper or by using an "app" on a smartphone if you have one. Details are at www.ramblers.org.uk/BigPathwatch.

Shooting in Trent Park

There have been some reports of illegal shooting of birds in Trent Park. If you should find any evidence of this, such as empty cartridge cases, please take a photograph if possible and report it to the Enfield Safer Neighbourhoods Parks Unit (Parks Police) on (020) 8345 1139.