



# Enfield Society News

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## Trent Park – the current position

Members have been kept informed in previous newsletters about the chequered history of Trent Park following the departure of the Middlesex University in 2012 up to the current plans by Berkeley Homes to develop it as a residential estate of 257 homes. Following their fourth public consultation event, now seems a good time to look at the proposals in more detail. There is a Master Plan, giving clear indication of what to expect when a full planning application is made in the autumn.

Through the consultation process several priorities emerged, which the developers have attempted to meet. A top priority was that there should be walking and cycling routes fully accessible to the public through an ungated site. There was very strong support for the restoration and enhancement of the key historic landscape assets and their integration into the wider Country Park. Second priority was to restore the Mansion House and Orangery to their former glory, together with built heritage assets, the Stable Block and Walled Garden, the Dower House, Rookery Lodge and Gardener's Cottage. Most disliked were the 1960s/70s former university buildings which are to be removed.

There was strong support for a form of public access to the Mansion together with a museum, events space and cafe. The Museum would have to be viable and sustainable long term. As well as its wartime role, Trent Park under Sir Philip Sassoon in the first decades of the 20th Century became a main centre for London High Society, entertaining royalty and guests such as Sir Winston Churchill. Currently the 'Save Trent Park' Campaign is bidding to provide a museum featuring the Second World War role of Trent Park, with the covert listening to the German officers housed there. This involves the eastern part of the house, occupying the grand rooms to the rear, opening on to the terrace, the blue room with its Rex Whistler wall paintings, and part of the basement. The scope would depend on a business plan currently being produced by the Campaign. The plan is that the occupants of the Mansion would use the front entrance opening off the forecourt, with access for the museum from the side into the Blue Room.

The Master Plan illustrated here shows the proposed layout of the housing in

### Proposed Masterplan

#### Key Buildings and Areas

- 1 Mansion House
- 2 Wisteria Walk
- 3 Stable Block
- 4 Orangery
- 5 Walled Garden

#### Character Areas

- 6 The Woodland Glade
- 7 Daffodil Lawn
- 8 Gubbay Park
- 9 Stable Block
- 10 Walled Garden
- 11 Wisteria Drive
- 12 Dew Pond
- 13 Oak Walk
- 14 Icehouse Wood

Approximately 257 homes



various character areas occupying the south and eastern part of the site. Overall, the intention is that the access roads should use an element of shared space and that car parking in them should be discouraged. The intrusive Jebb building to the west of the Mansion would be replaced by a smaller structure above a large basement car park. As well as the Mansion House the stables would be converted to residential use. We currently feel that the range of proposed house and flat types proposed needs more work. There is no reference to affordable housing.

The very enlightened historic landscape plan envisages the full reconstruction of the Sassoon's Long Garden and lily ponds, currently crudely truncated by the Music Block. A double lime avenue would be recreated, leading from the lower end north east to Ice House Wood. The original was removed at the end of the war. Berkeley are negotiating with Enfield Council to provide a bridge link across the lake to the Japanese Garden. It is hoped to reopen the tennis courts to the west of the site alongside the Lime Avenue.

The most contentious aspect concerns transport and access. A Travel Plan would be submitted and agreed as part of the planning application. It envisages a net reduction of 40% compared with the previous university use. There will be a high frequency, 7 day a week courtesy bus service, open to the public, linking the site to Oakwood Station with a turning facility at the bottom of Snakes Lane. It will be paid for by Berkeley Homes. Snakes Lane is to be resurfaced and will be the sole access. Improved pedestrian and cycle routes and new cycle parking facilities will be provided. A total of 464 parking spaces are proposed, also two car club vehicles to reduce dependence on car ownership. There have been many claims that the parking proposed will be insufficient, particularly in relation to Museum access. Opinions on the Berkeley proposals may differ. My personal view is that the outcome will probably be the best we can expect for this iconic site.

The full display boards from the latest consultation event are available to view on line at <http://www.trent-park.com/>

Chris Jephcott



# Conservation

## Chase Side School – replacement windows



A week ago John Boulton, a resident of Trinity Street, alerted the Society of plans to replace the windows of Chase Side Primary School in UPVC. The school is a fine example of the work of the renowned educational architect G.E.T. Laurence for the Enfield School Board. The details all remain unaltered to this day. The building immediately adjoins the Enfield Town Conservation Area, so conservation area policies should apply but there is no sign of any planning application. The design of the replacement windows is particularly crude. We have urgently drawn the attention of the Conservation and Planning Departments at Enfield Council to the matter in the hope that damage to this fine building can be prevented. Time is short because the scaffolding for the work has already gone up.

## Redevelopment of Westpole Avenue Methodist Church

We were also consulted regarding a proposed McCarthy and Stone retirement living scheme replacing the empty Oakwood Methodist Church. Following their usual format the 'T' shaped block will provide 30 1 and 2 bed flats over 3 storeys, with 26 underground car parking spaces. The appearance currently perhaps too much mimics the dull semi-detached houses along Westpole Avenue but this is a work in progress.

## Black Horse Tower development

In line with the current and welcome trend for developers to have pre-application public consultations, as we go to press I met with representatives of Hermes, the owners of the Black Horse Tower complex at Cockfosters. Hermes has a property portfolio throughout the UK and plans to convert the partly empty offices to residential use. This is a major scheme which will significantly alter the appearance of this end of Cockfosters adjacent to the Listed Underground station and Conservation Area. The

former Holbrook House main "tower", renamed as Black Horse in 2008, is to remain and with the lesser buildings on the site will be redeveloped to form 164 residential units, 33% affordable, plus 172 parking spaces. Above a basement car park covering the whole site and accessed from Westpole Avenue, the main curved building, which has an external concrete frame, will be redesigned with more elegant full length windows. The 9th rooftop story, with currently two bulky plant blocks, will be consolidated to a full length, recessed floor. Along the Cockfosters Road frontage will be a block of 4 stories above a retail frontage, divided into sections. The north end will be a hotel and the south a medical centre with flats in between, in a style echoing the main building with areas of brick facing. Along the Westpole Avenue frontage the

affordable flats will occupy a similarly styled 7 storey block. The green triangle in front will be landscaped and an open court in the centre will be an amenity for residents.

A main drawback is that the design will if anything increase the prominence of the main block viewed from Trent Park and the impact on Cockfosters Road will undoubtedly be greater. The modern styling of the main frontage is at odds with the character of Cockfosters Parade opposite, but the existing buildings of Cockfosters shopping centre are uniformly undistinguished. The limited number of parking spaces is sure to cause controversy, although they conform to Government guidelines. A brownfield scheme which helps to meet Enfield's housing target has to be in principle welcome.

*Chris Jephcott*



The existing 9-storey curved Black Horse tower office block

Images by courtesy of the  
Cockfosters Green developers



Drawing showing the proposed layout of the new complex (above) and architect's impression of the view looking north from Cockfosters Road (below)





## Anniversary exhibition

# 80 years of action – exhibition open

In the previous issue we announced the agreement with Enfield Council to hold an exhibition to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the Society. The exhibition, entitled *The Enfield Society – 80 Years of Action*, is now open in the Dugdale Centre and will run until 8th January 2017. We held a most successful launch event at the Centre on 24 May, attended by over 70 invited guests including Doug Taylor (Leader of the Council), Bernadette Lappage (Mayor of Enfield), Matthew Saunders (Secretary of The Ancient Monuments Society and a Vice-President of the Enfield Society), Enfield councillors, Jan Metcalfe (Enfield Museum Manager), TES management committee and other members.

Many of those attending the launch commented enthusiastically on the way we have told our story and the professional manner of the displays. It was also reported in the Enfield Advertiser and Enfield Independent, both publications giving us excellent coverage. The exhibition tells the story of how TES came into being, from the campaign started in 1935 to save Chase Green, to the present day. In the exhibition we trace our major successes and achievements, explain the work of the Society, highlight some of the current issues we are concerned with and outline what the future might hold. This is done through a series of display panels and cases showing related artefacts, photographs and archive materials. In addition to attracting the general public we hope that our members will take the opportunity to visit the exhibition.

We regard the event as an excellent opportunity to showcase and promote the work of the Society and its achievements over the eighty years of its existence. We hope this event will stimulate interest in the Society and attract a substantial number of new members from all age groups and sections of the community.

On selected dates and times during the exhibition we will have Society volunteers attending a desk in the Museum foyer area to engage with visitors, sell Society publications and sign up new members. We are most grateful to a number of Society members, new to volunteering, who have come forward to assist in this task. Grateful thanks also to the team who assisted in putting the exhibition together and the many hours involved in the task. They are: Dave Cockle, Janet McQueen, Val Munday, Judith Stones and Leonard Will. Monica Smith organised the sales table and volunteers to staff it. Finally, thanks to those members and others who have lent items for reference and display in the exhibition.

*Bob Fowler, Exhibition Coordinator*



Display of TES activities: campaigns, Edmonton, footpaths and open spaces, historic buildings, heritage at risk, trees, architecture and planning



Chris Jephcott, Matthew Saunders, Bernadette Lappage, Dave Cockle, Jan Metcalfe, Bob Fowler



Alan Skilton with the model he made in 1965 to support the Society's proposals for roads in Enfield Town



Display panel about the founding of the Society



## Other organisations' 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](http://www.enfieldsociety.org.uk) and on the Enfield Council site at [www.enfield.gov.uk/events/](http://www.enfield.gov.uk/events/)

**2nd Wednesday of each month, 12.30-1.00pm, St Mary Magdalene Church, Windmill Hill. Lunchtime music recital**

**First Tuesday of each month of 2016, 7 for 7.30pm, Jubilee Hall. Presenting Enfield**, by Joe Studman. A series of monthly illustrated talks on the history and heritage of The London Borough of Enfield. Each talk lasts approx 60 minutes. Cost £3.00 per person payable on the door. No need to book and no previous knowledge required. Details at [www.jaywalks.co.uk](http://www.jaywalks.co.uk) or email [joe@jaywalks.co.uk](mailto:joe@jaywalks.co.uk)

**Sunday 21st August 2016, 3-5.30pm, Hilly Fields. 2FBs – classic rock tunes guaranteed to get you dancing!** [HF]

**Sunday 28th – Monday 29th August, Forty Hill Farm. Enfield Food Festival.** Adults £5, children £2.

**Sunday 4th September, 12 noon, Forty Hall. Spirit of Ukraine Festival.** Free

**Friday 9th – Sunday 11th September. Heritage Open Days outside London**

**Friday 9th September, 7.30 for 8pm, Jubilee Hall. Life in post-medieval Southwark: finds from recent excavations**, by Jaqui Pearce, MoLA. [EAS]

**Sunday 11th Sept 2016 3-5.30pm, Hilly Fields. Big Chief – jazz/blues band.** [HF]

**Tuesday 13th September, 8pm, Jubilee Hall. John, Duke of Bedford, Regent of France 1422-35**, by Michael Rye. This meeting will be followed by light refreshments and the Branch AGM. [HA]

**Saturday 17th – Sunday 18th September. Open House London.** The capital's largest annual festival of architecture and design.

**Wednesday 21st September, 7.45 for 8pm, Jubilee Hall. Re-building St Paul's Cathedral after the Great Fire of London**, by Dr Neil Houghton. [EHHS]

**Saturday 24th – Sunday 25th September, Town Park, Enfield. Enfield Town and Country Show.**

**Sunday 25th September 3pm, Forty Hall. Voyage – a recital of classical music by a harpist and flautist**, including works by Bach and Stravinsky, £12

**Sunday 2 October 10am-4pm, Forty Hall Farm. Apple Fair.** £5 (children 3-16 £2, free for under 3 years.)

**Friday 7th October, 7.45pm, Dugdale Centre. The Canterbury Tales: a riotous and rollicking retelling of six of the best-loved tales.**

**Saturday 8th October, 7.30pm, St. Andrew's Parish Church, Market**

**Place, Enfield Town. Celebrity organ concert** given by Catherine Ennis (St. Lawrence Jewry) on the recently restored and refurbished organ. Featuring photographic display and video projection of the organist in action. Admission free, with retiring collection.

**Sunday 9 October 3-5pm, Forty Hall. Tea dance.** £10.

**Tuesday 11th October 8pm, Jubilee Hall. A patriot in retirement? John Wilkes' later career 1774-97**, by Dr Robin Eagles (History of Parliament). [HA]

**Friday 14th October, 7.30 for 8pm, Jubilee Hall. Verulamium revealed**, by Kris Lockyear. [EAS]

**Saturday 22nd October, 9.45am to 4.30pm, Jubilee Hall. Day conference: The changing face of local history – EHHS 80th anniversary.** [EHHS]

**Sunday 30 October, 1pm and 5pm, Millfield Theatre. Classical ballet, "The Nutcracker"**

**Monday 31st October, 7.45pm, Dugdale Centre. "Gothic Tales": three chilling stories by HG Wells, Charles Dickens and Edgar Allen Poe.**

**Tuesday 8th November, 8pm, Jubilee Hall. Bloody Mary revisited**, by Dr Lucy Wooding (Lincoln College, Oxford). [HA]

**Friday 11th November, 7.30 for 8pm, Jubilee Hall. Presidential address: Roman pottery making in Highgate Wood: archaeology and experiment**, by Harvey Sheldon. [EAS]

**Wednesday 16th November, 2.15 for 2.30pm, Jubilee Hall. Another kind of life: Dickens and the theatre**, by Dr Tony Williams. [EHHS]

**Wednesday 21st December, 7.45 for 8pm, Jubilee Hall. Seasonal meeting.** [EHHS]

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

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

**HA:** Meeting of The Historical Association, North London Branch. Non-members are welcome (£1 per meeting). More details from the Branch Secretary, Robin Blades (020) 8368 5328, [robin.blades@outlook.com](mailto:robin.blades@outlook.com). Associate Membership available for £5 a year for an individual or £8 a year for a couple.

**HF:** For Hilly Fields bandstand concerts: Free parking is at Whitewebbs Golf Course, Beggars Hollow (behind the 'Rose and Crown'). In case of bad weather, the concerts will be held in St Luke's Church, at the corner of Browning Road/Phipps Hatch Lane. More information at [www.hillyfields.info](http://www.hillyfields.info) and Friends of Hilly Fields Facebook page.

## Sales table

Unfortunately there will be no new Christmas card this year because the poor sales of recent years cannot justify it. Packs of five of the previous years' cards will be available to members at the special price of £1.25. These are:  
1 Gentleman's Row, Whitewebbs House, Hilly Fields and The Crown and Horseshoes. Packs of four different views will also be available for £1.

1 Gentleman's Row



Whitewebbs House



Hilly Fields



The Crown and Horseshoes

The new Footpath Map (£2.50) and Heritage Walks leaflets (£1) can be useful stocking fillers while books about the area are often welcome gifts.

Visit the Enfield Society stall at the Town and Country Show to see the whole range of publications; these can also be purchased at meetings in Jubilee Hall.

Waterstone's Bookshop in Church Street, Enfield, stock all the books and some are available from Forty Hall shop and Forty Hall Farm shop. Some local newsagents, Myddelton House, Enfield Town Post Office and Ferny Hill Farm shop stock some items.

If ordering by post, please complete the enclosed order form and send with a cheque, or order on-line from the Enfield Society website. The only way we can accept payments by debit or credit card is through the website – card payments there are handled by PayPal, but you do not need to have a PayPal account. This is convenient for those who are not able to visit one of our sales tables in person and especially for people living overseas as currency conversions are taken care of automatically.

Monica Smith

## Enfield Society events

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

**27th September. *A community approach to helping young people stay safe online***, by Alan Spence.

The speaker is Artistic Director of the 'Theatre is Real Life' group which has been commissioned to tackle some of the problems confronting "Generation Sext". This talk will outline the origins of the project, why it was deemed necessary, how ideas were developed, the problems experienced and how they were addressed.

There will be some coverage of the project activities, the education pack and DVD of the play-performance, followed by Alan's plans for the future of this important community project.

**25th October. *Confessions of a very civil servant*** by Stephen Gilbert

Stephen used to work in the Ancient Monuments and Historic Buildings Division of the Department of the Environment and he was also involved with the Royal Palaces, ceremonial occasions and state visits. Stephen will talk about his experiences at work and the people his work brought him into contact with.

**29th November. *Christmas quiz***

**Evening meetings, 7.30 for 8 p.m. at Jubilee Hall. No tickets required**

**Monday 17th October. *Hampton Court Palace*** by Lee Prosser, Curator, Historic Royal palaces.

Following his most interesting talk on Kensington Palace in 2014, Lee Prosser will return to tell the story of Hampton Court Palace, through its buildings, colourful residents and re-enactments of events which took place in 2015 to celebrate its 500th anniversary. Begun in 1515 for Cardinal Wolsey, the palace was extended by Henry VIII. In the 1690s new baroque state apartments, designed by Sir Christopher Wren, were built for William III and Mary II and formal gardens were laid out. The decoration of the palace was completed in the early Georgian period.

**Monday 21st November. *Murder most profitable*** by Geoff Bowden. The life and career of Agatha Christie. Known as the Queen of Crime, she was the author of over 100 books, short stories and plays and the creator of Hercule Poirot and Miss Marple. This entertaining presentation will also include illustrations of stage and screen adaptations of her works.

**Monday 16th January. *Films of Enfield and Edmonton made between the 1930s and 1970s*** presented by Film London.

## The President's column



Last month saw the launch of Enfield Society's Exhibition marking our 80th Anniversary in the Dugdale Centre. We are very grateful to Enfield Council and the Museum Service for their generosity in providing the use of the Museum Gallery and assisting with the presentation. What is clear from the exhibition is the wide range of activities over a long period of time, going right back to the threat to Chase Green that led in 1936 to the founding of the then Enfield Preservation Society. To an extent it is the response to such threats, notably the proposal to put a ring road through St. Andrew's Churchyard, leading to the ultimately successful 'Save Enfield Campaign', that has galvanised and energised the Society.

But our undoubted success is due to much more than that. We have been fortunate to harness the energy and expertise of numerous volunteer members in different spheres of activity right up to the present day. This has enabled the structure of semi autonomous groups, reporting to the central Management Committee, that has allowed the Society to operate right across the field of activity of amenity societies. To mention names would be invidious and lead to an over long list. Suffice it to record our appreciation and gratitude.

Also, whilst engaging regularly with local authorities and organisations, we have remained resolutely clear of political bias. The Publicity Group has done an excellent job in setting up an

exhibition which gives a flavour of what the different groups have done, but inevitably it has not been possible to cover all aspects, such as the extensive street tree photographic survey organised by Wally Woodfield in 1985 at the time of Enfield's Street Tree Replacement Programme or the long campaign to prevent the redevelopment of the Highlands Hospital pavilions. All this allows us to face with confidence the challenges of the next eighty years!

I do have to mention one name. Colin Pointer, after a long and fruitful membership of The Enfield Society, retired from the Management Committee at our recent AGM. He became Chairman in 1993 and during his four year tenure dealt ably with our Diamond Jubilee celebrations and the traumatic period after the sudden death of Irene Smith. Later, in 2006, when we were without a chairman and I, as President, had to hold the fort to some extent, he agreed to take on the Chairmanship again for a further stint. I greatly appreciated this gesture. Continuously active in many fields, he was a prime mover in the New River Project and worked on setting up a Forty Hall Trust. He was also engaged with the Spurs Training Ground at Bulls Cross, and our schools Education Project at Forty Hall which he has agreed to continue to oversee. We shall miss his cheerful, good humoured contributions to our Committee.

Chris Jephcott

### Special events. For details see the pages shown.

**Tuesday 23rd August. *Elegant Islington***. TES Discovery Walk. Page 10.

**Sunday 4th September, 11am. *Behind the scenes at Forty Hall***. Page 11.

**Tuesday 6th September. *Trent Park Stroll***. Short TES walk. Page 10.

**Wednesday 28th September. *SuDs and Firs Farm Wetlands Tour***. TES Discovery Walk. Page 10.

**Thursday 6th October. *Grovelands Stroll***. Short TES walk. Page 10.

**Thursday 20th October. *"The Nelson Touch"***. TES Discovery Walk. Page 10.

**Saturday 15th October. *Model railways visit***. Page 8.

**Wednesday 9th November. *Chelsea***. TES Discovery Walk. Page 11.

**Saturday 12th November, Dugdale Centre. *TES Day conference "Enfield: the time of change"*** Page 9.

**Thursday 24th November. *Greenwich and Blackheath***. TES Discovery Walk. Page 11.

### Legacies and gifts to The Enfield Society

We are always grateful to those who remember us in their wills, and this year we were very pleased to receive legacies from Christine Fookes and Gordon MacFarlane.

Other members have also made donations to the Society, sometimes by adding a little to the amounts they pay as annual subscriptions. This is a big help, as it allows us to make grants to deserving projects in furtherance of our charitable objectives, as listed, for example, on page 2 of our last newsletter. It also allows us to keep the basic rate of subscription low, at just £5 per person, so that there is no barrier to people joining and taking part in our activities.

There are tax benefits in giving to charities too. If you pay income tax at the 20% rate, signing a Gift Aid declaration makes your £5 subscription worth £6.25 to us. Leaving your entire estate, or part of it, to charity can reduce, and in some situations eliminate, the Inheritance Tax liability. Full details of these benefits are given on the web pages of the Money Advice Service, at <https://www.moneyadviceservice.org.uk/en/articles/the-tax-benefits-of-giving-to-charity>

Leonard Will



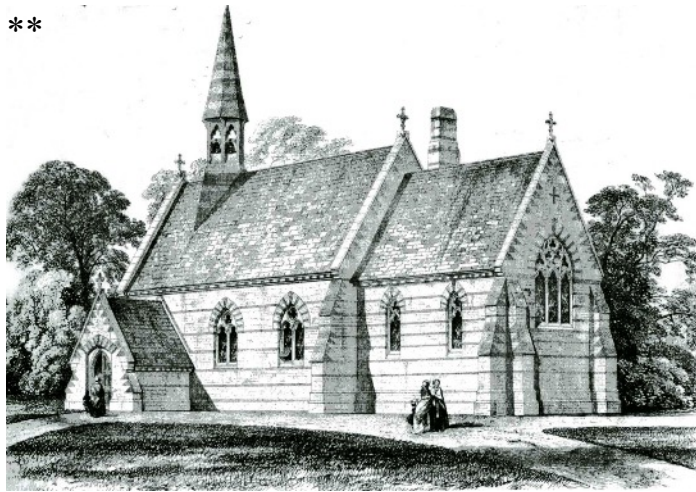
## Historic buildings

# St John the Baptist Church, Clay Hill, Enfield

The Grade II listed St John's Church is open on Wednesdays between 10:30 and 16:00 and on Fridays between 15:00 and 16:00. It may be reached by bus W10 which travels between Enfield Town and Crews Hill from Monday to Saturday.

For more information see *"A guide to the church of St John the Baptist, Clay Hill"*, *"A history of Crews Hill and beyond"* by Roy Martin, 2007, and *"Fringe benefice! A history of the parish of St John and St Luke, Clay Hill, Enfield"* edited by John Wright, 2015.

The image marked \* was provided by Enfield Local Studies Centre and Archive and the image marked \*\* was provided by John Wright.  
Stephen Gilbert



St John the Baptist Church was designed in a Venetian Gothic style by James Piers St Aubyn. It was built of yellow stock brick and decorated with bands of red and blue bricks inside and outside. It has an aisleless nave, chancel, south porch and a turret on the western end of the nave. The church was completed in 1857 and opened for worship in 1858, from when the print on the left dates. Half of the cost of £1990 was paid by Rev John Moore Heath, vicar of St Andrew's Church. Originally a chapel of ease in the parish of St Andrew, St John's became a parish church in 1867. The vicarage in Strayfield Road was occupied by the vicars of St John's from 1867 to 1981, when it became a private house now called Glenwood House. St John's School was built in Theobalds Park Road in 1888, at a cost of £475. It was extended in the 1970s. A parish hall, now used by the school, was built alongside in 1889. A modern parish room was built next to the church in 2000. In 1899 the parish was divided into St John's and St Luke's parishes, but they were reunited in 1987. Between 2006 and 2008 St John's church was closed for major repairs.



The nave was originally furnished with chairs as can be seen in the photograph on the left. Pews were installed in 1875 at a cost of £100, although these were replaced in 2011 with the present chairs at a cost of approximately £100 each.



The brass eagle lectern was presented to the church in 1896.

The Lamb of God and a flag are depicted on the vicar's chair, which was at one time occupied by a former vicar's cat during evensong.





# Historic buildings



Stained glass windows in the nave were designed by Robert Bayne from the firm of Heaton, Butler and Bayne, which was founded by Clement Heaton at Covent Garden in 1852. Bayne's bearded features can often be seen in his designs. The 1870 window on the left depicts Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead, who is shown with his sisters Martha and Mary. The panel on the right shows Mary sitting listening to Jesus, while Martha is standing holding keys and a dish. The 1865 window on the right shows Jesus as the Good Shepherd and the Light of the World.



The second-hand organ by Alfred Hunter and Son of London in the chancel was purchased in 1870. The visible pipes are ornamental, the working ones are hidden. Before electricity was installed in 1949, two choir boys would pump the bellows in the organ loft. The organ was restored in 1961 and again in 1986. Either side of the east window are wooden figures of Mary and Joseph.



The carved wood former reredos on the south wall of the chancel was brought, possibly from Cyprus or Syria, and installed in 1894. It includes depictions of a prophet (probably Isaiah), St John baptising Jesus and St Peter.



The painted terracotta sandstone reredos behind the high altar shows Jesus being baptised by John in the River Jordan. Either side of the reredos are plaster statuettes of St John the Baptist and St Andrew.



The 1856 east window came from the Wailes workshop (1808-81), which was based in Newcastle-upon-Tyne. On the left is the Baptism of Jesus by John. The crucifixion of Jesus in the centre also shows Mary the mother of Jesus and the disciple John with Mary Magdalene sitting at the foot of the cross. On the right the risen Christ appears to his disciples.



## Events

### Model railways visit – Saturday 15th October



Following Roger Elkin's interesting talk to the Society on north London's railway termini and locomotives, he has kindly agreed to open his home in north Enfield, so that some Enfield society members can see his model railways between 2 and 5 pm on Saturday 15th October. There is an outdoor O gauge layout and there are four indoor layouts – N gauge London 1960, HO scale Swiss, OO gauge British and O scale Welsh narrow gauge. Tea and biscuits will be provided and donations to London children's charities will be welcomed.



For up to 4 free tickets (which will indicate the time at which you can come and the address to be visited) please send your contact details, telephone number and a stamped addressed envelope to Model Railway Visit, Jubilee Hall, 2 Parsonage Lane, Enfield EN2 0AJ, or send an email message to [heritagewalks@enfieldsociety.org.uk](mailto:heritagewalks@enfieldsociety.org.uk) and we will send the tickets requested by email. Accompanied children will be welcome but will need a ticket.

*Stephen Gilbert*

### A celebration fit for a Queen? – Enfield Chase Station

On 10th June 2016 TES volunteers, who undertake gardening at Enfield Chase Station, teamed up with train company, Great Northern and Leo's Coffee Shop to put on an afternoon tea party on Platform One as a celebration of the Queen's Ninetieth birthday.

This unusual event was organised in the short space of ten days after Great Northern kindly provided a small amount of funding to finance the event. Advertised at our AGM and on social media, it was attended by over seventy TES members. £144 was raised for the mental health charity, MIND. Two new volunteers have joined TES Station Gardening Team.

The photograph shows three of the people enjoying the event; from left to right: Jacqueline Hughes, Robert Hughes waving the flag and Dickie Gleeson.

*Dave Cockle*



### Can you be a “church sitter” for All Saints, Edmonton?

In our last issue Val Munday reported on the major conservation and repair work that has recently been completed at All Saints Church, Church Street, Edmonton. Now Joe Studman, Chair of the Church's friends group, as written to us as follows: “I am trying to get All Saints Church Edmonton to open on a regular basis for visitors, initially on Saturday afternoons.

We do need church sitters however and I was hoping you might put an appeal in the next Enfield Society News on our behalf.

No prior knowledge of the church is needed and any volunteer will not be on



their own. If there are any of your members who might like to offer their services for 2/3 hours once every three months I would be delighted to hear from them. We can only open the church if there are two sitters. At least one person who knows something about the church will be in attendance but we need someone else there in case of emergency.”

Anyone willing to help in this way should contact Joe Studman, Chair of Friends of All Saints Church Edmonton, on telephone number 0787 553 7295 or by email to [joe@jaywalks.co.uk](mailto:joe@jaywalks.co.uk)

*Leonard Will*



## Day Conference

“Enfield: the time of change”

**Saturday 12th November in the Dugdale Centre**

To complement the Society's exhibition at the Enfield Museum (see article on page 3) we are holding a study day on Enfield in the last century which will include highlights such as talks by Monica Smith – author of the fourth book in the *History of Enfield* series, and by Ian Jones on Enfield in the first World War. Joe Studman and Dave Cockle will lead a walk round Enfield Town looking at the buildings the Society has helped to save over the past eighty years and even the Enfield Beast will be coming! If you are not able to do the walk there will be other activities in the museum so do book your place.

The cost of the day (to include lunch, coffee and tea) will be £15. It is open to all so please invite friends and relations as well. To book a ticket please send your name and telephone number and include a SAE and cheque payable to the Enfield Society, to – Conference, Jubilee Hall, 2 Parsonage Lane, Enfield EN2 0AJ. Alternatively, you can book on our web site at [enfieldsociety.org.uk/conference](http://enfieldsociety.org.uk/conference) using a debit or credit card or a PayPal account.

## Update on the local heritage list

Considerable work has been done on the local list since I last reported but it seems that work will not be completed until the end of the year at the earliest now. Since we submitted the draft list in February, Council officers have checked all the nominations for any current planning applications, added post codes and done any extra research required. Further discussions have also taken place with Historic England as they have recently revised their advice on Local Heritage Listing.

Besides this the proposed properties have been placed onto an electronic map integrated with the planning history database to allow the list to be electronically accessed. This should enhance the value of the list and improve its usefulness in the future.

The next step is public consultation- which will take place over the summer and then the list will need Council approval. We hope to see it finalised and in action by early 2017 and will of course keep you informed.

*Janet McQueen*

### Brian Frear

As this newsletter went to press, members were sad to learn of Brian's sudden death following a diagnosis of motor neurone disease. An active TES member for three decades, he also led about 90 walks. An obituary will appear in the next newsletter.

## Official assurances on the Green Belt

The Enfield Society is a member of the London Green Belt Council, an organization of civic societies which campaigns to protect the Green Belt around London. They have recently circulated to us the following letter which was sent to all MPs for English constituencies by the Minister of State for Housing and Planning.

### Development on brownfield and Green Belt land

This Department has received a large number of identical letters, forwarded by Members of Parliament, which concern the National Planning Policy Framework, housing provision, and the need to re-use brownfield land and protect Green Belt. These concerns arise from our recent consultation on proposed changes to the Framework, and from recent misreporting of potential development on Green Belt land. I am writing to clarify the Government's position.

The claims made in the reports are misleading and speculative as they include figures based on unadopted Local Plans and unapproved planning applications. The Government has put in place the strongest protections for the Green Belt. The Framework makes it clear that inappropriate development may be allowed only where very special circumstances exist, and that Green Belt boundaries should be adjusted only in exceptional circumstances, through the Local Plan process and with the support of local people. We have been repeatedly clear that demand for housing alone will not change Green Belt boundaries. However, we recognise that it is local authorities, working with their communities and with detailed local knowledge, which are best placed to decide the most sustainable, suitable and viable sites for new homes. The Housing and Planning Act 2016 has increased local people's power to plan their areas with new measures to speed up and simplify neighbourhood planning.

This Government is committed to re-using brownfield sites for housing, and we have undertaken to ensure that 90 per cent of brownfield land suitable for housing will have planning permissions for new homes in place by the end of this Parliament. To support this policy, we have introduced local brownfield registers; accelerated disposal of public sector brownfield for housing — with a commitment to release land for at least 160,000 homes by 2020; extended permitted development to give new life to thousands of buildings; and set up a Home Building Fund to provide £2 billion of loans for infrastructure and land remediation to support large housing sites. We expect 50% of this Fund to be spent on brownfield land. In addition, £1.2 billion of our £2.3 billion starter homes funding will support brown field site preparation; delivering at least 30,000 starter homes.

Green Belt remains constant at around 13% of England, and in 2014-15 there was only a 0.1% reduction in size as a result of Local Plan reviews. Furthermore, only 0.02% of Green Belt was converted to residential use, after consulting local people. Taking account of land reclassified as national park, the Green Belt is actually 120 square miles larger than in 1997.

BRANDON LEWIS

The following reply was sent to Enfield Road Watch by the Planning Team of the new Mayor of London, in response to a message seeking an assurance that they will prevent Local Authorities from using “exceptional and special circumstances” to de-designate land so that it can be used for schools:

The Deputy has requested I respond on his behalf to your e-mail received on the 12 July 2016 in relation to the potential development of land south of Enfield Road. As you are aware a GLA officers pre-application report quashed the original scheme as concerns were raised in relation to the impact of the school and residential development proposals on the Green Belt. Any similar application for the site will be considered under the same strict policy tests and the London Plan Green Belt policy will retain the same strict criteria for assessing such applications.

As our Chairman says, “Let's hope they stick to their words!”

*Leonard Will*

## New members

We warmly welcome the following new members

Miss D L Barrie, Mr A Boyle, Mr J Buckley, Ms J Bungey, Mr R E Canham, Mrs A M Canty, Mrs I A Chantry, Mr & Mrs S & R Dean, Mrs C Drinkwater, Mr A Farmiloe, Mr D Green, Mr & Mrs L & P Grundon, Mrs M T Hollingworth, Mr J Howard, Mr M Ibrahim, Mr T P Kelly, Mr M J Killick, Ms R MacFarlane, Mr G Magowan, Mr P McSorley, Mr R J Mendy, Mr & Mrs M & J Newcombe, Mrs L O'Neill, Ms I Paerce, Mr S D Pickering, Mrs M T Probst, Mr & Mrs J & W Sands, Mr & Mrs M & C J Smith, Mr W Stewart, Ms G Toz, Mr R S Whiter

*Joyce James*



# Future walks

Travel details correct at press date but TES cannot be responsible for alterations. Always check for rail changes, especially at weekends (either via 08457 48 49 50 or the train company's website). Use TfL website for tube, DLR, London Overground and TfL buses (or ring 0343 222 1234).

Groupsave discount of about 34% available on most non-TfL trains but not usable with any Railcards.

See TfL/National Rail publicity maps for Freedom Pass boundaries and Oyster/Travelcard zones and always bring your card(s). County Council websites display current bus timetables for non-TfL services.

Please wear walking boots or stout walking shoes.

**Sat 20 Aug. London Loop - Finale.** Meet **10.44** Bexley Station. Either travel with Dave on **09.05** train from Enfield Chase into Moorgate, changing onto Northern Line for London Bridge, or meet him at London Bridge mainline station for **10.14** Southeastern train (usually from platform 1). Note: Northern Line will be closed between King's Cross and Moorgate.

About 8.75 mile linear walk following the River Cray to The Thames ending Dave's 150 mile journey at Erith Station. Route passes the magnificent Tudor Hall Place mansion and grounds (visited by TES in July 2015) before reaching the Crayford Marshes and River Darent. Shorter options. Bring lunch or food available. Details: (020) 8366 2242 or 07948 204 025. *Leader: Dave Cockle*

**Tues 23 Aug. Discovery Walk: Elegant Islington and New River.** Meet **10.30** main concourse at Highbury & Islington Station. About 2.75 to 3 hour circular walk via attractive streets and squares and landscaped sections of the New River. Coffee break at The Angel. Shorter options. Contact on day of walk ONLY: 07931 963 086. *Leader: Monica Smith*

**Sat 27 Aug. Alban Way.** Meet **10.25** ticket office St Albans City Station (**10.04** Thameslink Bedford train from St Pancras International – platform 8).

About 8.5 to 9 mile circular walk via Smallford with an interesting mix of countryside, field paths and disused railway history. Shorter option with return to start by bus. Bring lunch or food available. *Leader: Breda Jenkins*

**Wed 31 Aug. Tewin.** Meet **10.30** Hertford North Station (**10.00** train from Enfield Chase). An attractive circular walk through varied countryside via Tewin Village. Bring lunch or food probably available. Details: roynicholls@btinternet.com or (020) 8360 0282. *Leader: Roy Nicholls*

**Sat 3 Sept. Medieval Essex.** Meet **10.51** Audley End Station (**10.10** Abellio Cambridge train from Tottenham Hale or at **10.18** from Cheshunt – access

Cheshunt by **09.44** London Overground train from Southbury).

7.5 to 8 mile walk via attractive landscapes, medieval buildings and Audley End Mansion. Lunch stop in Saffron Walden with hopefully time to partly explore this delightful town which has over 400 listed properties. Bring lunch or food available. Possibility of returning by bus to near station. Contact on day of walk ONLY: 07490 480 251. *Leader: Stuart Mills*

**Tues 6 Sept. Trent Park Stroll.** For those wanting tea/coffee prior to start, meet **10.15** onwards at Church House Cafe in Chalk Lane (opposite Cockfosters Station). If not, then be at café by **11.00**. Note: should this volunteer staffed café be closed, then meet at Miracles café in nearby shop parade.

About 2 to 2.5 mile circular walk with comments on the geology of Trent Park. Please respect Norman's pace during this gentle relaxed stroll. Contact on day of walk ONLY: 07984 813 636. *Leader: Norman Coles*

**Sat 10 Sept. Pilgrim's Way.** Meet **10.41** Dorking Station (09.58 South West Trains Dorking train from Vauxhall mainline station). Note: Enfield Town and Southbury lines to Liverpool Street are scheduled to be closed on 10 and 11 September.

About 7.5 mile circular walk through pretty countryside below the North Downs. No steep climbs and option to return to start by bus after about 4 miles from Wotton lunch stop. Bring food or pub food probably available. Details: (020) 8882 3602 or 07534 433 578. *Leader: Martin Langer*

**Wed 14 Sept. Epping/Ongar railway walk.** Meet **10.50** Epping Station (Central Line from Bank, Liverpool Street and Stratford stations). About 7 to 8 mile circular walk following route of heritage railway through meadows, woodlands and nature reserves. Lunch stop at North Weald. Bring lunch or food available and option to end. Details: 07904 193 098. *Leader: John West*

**Sat 17/Sun 18 Sept. Open House London Weekend.**

**Thurs 22 Sept. Upper Lea Valley.** Meet **11.01** Harpenden Station ticket office (**10.34** Thameslink Bedford train from St Pancras International – platform 8). Note: car parking at/near station is limited/expensive.

About 8 mile circular walk in varied countryside via Batford, Mackerye End and Gustard Wood. Lunch stop in pretty Wheathampstead village with option to end (buses to Harpenden and St Albans City Stations). Bring lunch or food available. *Leader: Breda Jenkins*

**Sat 24/Sun 25 Sept. Enfield Town Show.**

**Wed 28 Sept. Discovery Walk: SuDs and Firs Farm Wetlands Tour.** Meet **10.00** outside The Beehive pub in Little Bury Street, N9 – links Bury Street West and Church Street. About 5 mins walk

from Bush Hill Parade/Ridge Avenue Library. Buses 329, W8 and 192 stop nearby.

About 2.5 hour/miles walk viewing the new Sustainable Drainage System projects at Salmon's Brook near Bury Lodge Park, followed by a guided tour of the Firs Farm Wetlands (off Firs Lane). Shorter options. Details: (020) 8366 2242 or 07948 204 025. *Leader: Dave Cockle*

**Sat 1 Oct. Historic South Bank.** Meet **10.30** at riverside exit from Westminster Station (District & Circle Lines).

7 mile linear walk from Westminster Bridge using a mix of riverside paths, parks and quieter side streets, ending at Bermondsey Spa. Shorter options. Lunch stop near south side of Tower Bridge. Bring lunch or food available. If joining for afternoon route, meet outside City Hall at **13.30**. Details: 07904 193 098. *Leader: John West*

**Thurs 6 Oct. Grovelands Park Stroll.** Meet **10.30** outside Ye Olde Cherry Tree, Southgate Green, N14 (buses 121, 298, 299 & W6) for 2 to 2.5 mile walk in Grovelands Park with comments on the geology and landscape. Coffee break. Please respect Norman's pace during this gentle relaxed stroll. Contact on day of walk ONLY: 07984 813 636. *Leader: Norman Coles*

**Sat 15 Oct. Thames Estuary Path.** Meet **10.33** Tilbury Town Station. Either travel with Dave on 08.52 train from Enfield Town, or meet him at Liverpool Street mainline station for **09.43** c2c Shoeburyness train, changing at Barking for 10.09 c2c Southend train. Note: buy Super Off-Peak Day Return from boundary to Stanford-le-Hope.

10.5 mile linear walk passing Tilbury Fort and Marshes, Coalhouse Fort and the Mucking Marshes/Flats, ending at Stanford-le-Hope. Option to end at East Tilbury lunch stop (station nearby). Bring lunch or pub food probably available. With high tide at 13.00, hopefully the Thames scenes will be dramatic. Details: (020) 8366 2242 or 07948 204 025. *Leader: Dave Cockle*

**Thurs 20 Oct. Discovery Walk: "The Nelson Touch".** Meet **11.00** Colliers Wood Station (Northern Line).

About 6 mile linear walk from "Paradise Merton" through centuries of history, with medieval and Victorian monks, markets and industry based upon the River Wandle, ending at Carshalton Station. Route includes many pretty sections of the river. Shorter options. Lunch stop in Morden Hall Park (N.T. but free entry). Bring lunch or food available. Contact on day of walk ONLY: 07946 729 053. *Leaders: Vanessa & Margaret*

**Tues 25 Oct. Epsom Downs.** Meet **10.57** Epsom Station (**10.28** South West Trains Dorking train from Vauxhall mainline station).

About 7.5 mile linear walk over the Epsom and Walton Downs. An area of downland, farmland and woods, including the race course, and with long



distance views. Bring lunch or pub food probably available. *Leader: Mick Spinks*

**Sat 29 Oct. Chilterns.** Meet **10.45** Chesham Station (**09.42** Metropolitan Line Chesham train from King's Cross St Pancras).

About 8 mile walk through varied Chiltern scenery with perhaps a hint of Autumn colours. Lunch stop in Chesham town – bring lunch or food available. Contact on day of walk ONLY: 07490 480 251. *Leader: Stuart Mills*

**Sat 5 Nov. Jubilee Greenway.** Meet **10.00** Green Park Station (Victoria & Piccadilly Lines) at exit into Green Park.

7 mile linear walk via famous sights. In morning about 4.25 miles from Buckingham Palace to Hyde Park (coffee break), Kensington Palace/Gardens, Leinster Gardens, Paddington Basin and Little Venice (lunch stop). Bring lunch or food available. Then the route follows the Regent's Canal to end at Camden, although walkers can make their own way on to King's Cross. Many shorter options. Details: 07973 747 454. *Leader: Nigel King*

**Wed 9 Nov. Discovery Walk: Chelsea.** Meet **10.30** Sloane Square Station (Circle & District Lines). 2.5 hour walk (with coffee break) via King's Road, Chelsea Old Church, Cheyne Walk and other interesting places. Shorter options. Contact on day of walk ONLY: 07931 963 086. *Leader: Monica Smith*

Note: In the afternoon you could independently visit the Royal Hospital, historic home of the Chelsea Pensioners (open from **14.00**). This is NOT part of Monica's walk.

**Tues 15 Nov. London Waterways.** Meet at entrance to Platform 9, King's Cross mainline station for PROMPT start at **10.30**.

About 7 to 7.5 mile linear walk based upon the ever-changing scenes of the Regent's Canal, via Victoria Park, and ending at Limehouse Basin DLR Station. Many shorter options. Bring lunch or food available. Contact on day of walk ONLY: 07506 334 019. *Leader: Peter Mackey*

**Sat 19 Nov. Hertford.** Meet **10.15** Hertford North Station (**09.51** train from Enfield Chase). About 7 to 8 mile circular walk that may include newly opened paths in the restored landscape of Georgian Panshanger Park. Lunch stop in Hertford town. Bring lunch or food available. Contact on day of walk ONLY: 07490 480 251. *Leader: Stuart Mills*

**Thurs 24 Nov. Discovery Walk: Greenwich and Blackheath.** Meet either **10.45** Island Gardens DLR Station or **11.05** at Cutty Sark DLR Station.

Today's walk has the river scene, historical connections, fine buildings, Greenwich Park and the contrasting open space of Blackheath. Many shorter options. Bring lunch or food available. Details: roynicholls@btinternet.com or (020) 8360 0282. *Leader: Roy Nicholls*

*Stuart Mills*

## Historic buildings

### Historic buildings visit – behind the scenes at Forty Hall 11 am on Sunday 4th September 2016

There will be an opportunity for a group of Enfield Society members to see parts of the Forty Hall estate which are not always open to the public, on Sunday 4th September, starting at 11 am. Arrangements have been made with Capel Manor staff who run the farm for a guided tour of the buildings, including the Grade II listed 17th century barns which were restored in 1998. The animals, vineyard, orchard and farm shop will also be seen. Those who wish to visit Forty Hall itself, and see the rooms which in 2012 were restored and furnished to a 17th century appearance, may do so independently after the farm tour.

To obtain free tickets for the tour, please send your contact details, including your telephone number and a stamped addressed envelope, to Forty Hall Farm Visit, Jubilee Hall, 2 Parsonage Lane, Enfield, EN2 0AJ stating how many tickets you would like (maximum 4) or send an email message to [heritagewalks@enfieldsociety.org.uk](mailto:heritagewalks@enfieldsociety.org.uk) and we will send you a ticket by email.

#### Forty Hall Vineyard have sent us a list of frequently asked questions about the vineyard – this is an edited selection.

**What is Forty Hall Vineyard?** Forty Hall Vineyard (FHV) is an award-winning social enterprise, which aims to produce and sell high quality English wine whilst also making a positive contribution to the health and happiness of local people. FHV is London's only commercial-scale vineyard, run by volunteers for the benefit of the local community.

**How long has FHV been going?** Our first acre of vines was planted by hand in 2009. We now have over 14,500 vines planted over 10 acres of vineyard. We were formally constituted as a limited company on 19th Aug 2010.

**Where is FHV located?** We grow our grapes on 10 acres of south-facing, free draining and sloping gravelly soil at Forty Hall Organic Farm on the estate. Our partners, Capel Manor College, who run and manage Forty Hall Farm, provide the land.

**Where is FHV wine made?** Immediately after they are picked, our grapes are taken to Davenport Vineyards in East Sussex where they are pressed and vinified by our multi award-winning wine maker, Will Davenport.

**Where can you buy our wine?** When it is available, FHV wine is sold on site at the "cellar door" from the Forty Hall Farm Shop, open Wed, Sat & Sun 11:00am – 4:00pm. Please sign up to our newsletter.



One of the restored buildings

**So how does FHV benefit the local people?** FHV offers volunteering opportunities for people to work with others on a meaningful activity in the outdoors.

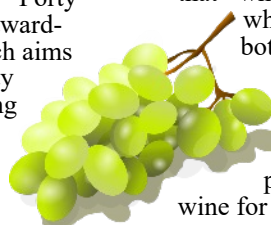
**Who are your partners, funders and supporters?** Without the support and encouragement of our key partner, Capel Manor College, we would never have got started. We are grateful to have also been grant funded by the National Lottery, the London Borough of Enfield, UnLtd, London Catalyst, the Shoreditch Trust and the Funding Network among others. We are also very grateful to our many generous individual sponsors.

**Why is FHV organic?** We believe that great wines are made in the vineyard and that what you see growing on the vine is what you should taste from the bottle. We are committed to an organic approach, always mindful of our soil and climate conditions that will, with careful management, produce productive vines and top quality wine for many years.

**What wines does FHV produce?** We are currently producing two still, white varietal wines each year: a Bacchus and an Ortega; we also produce a sparkling white wine made in the traditional Champagne method: i.e. all the fermentation takes place naturally in the bottle. All of our wines are currently dry, but as our yields grow we will expand our portfolio to offer a wider range, possibly including off-dry and rosé wines.

**How much do you produce?** Our vines are still maturing so our yields are still quite low. By 2017 we hope to be cropping off all 10 acres of vineyard and would expect an average yield of about 1.5 tonnes per acre. We expect to produce around 15,000 bottles of wine a year (50% still, 50% sparkling) when we are at full production levels.

For more information contact us at [enquiries@fortyhallvineyard.com](mailto:enquiries@fortyhallvineyard.com) or sign up to our newsletter at [www.fortyhallvineyard.com](http://www.fortyhallvineyard.com)





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## Bid for a set of plates decorated with Enfield scenes



Lucy Grayburn was a member of the Enfield Society and enjoyed attending the talks in Jubilee Hall. Sadly, she died in August 2015.

In 1997 she had bought a set of six plates showing Enfield scenes within a green and gold border, sold by Decor Art Creations Ltd. as "The Canterbury Collection". The scenes show the Market Place, St Andrew's Church, the New River and Gardens, Christ Church, the Town and Palace Parade, and Chase Farm Schools.

Each plate is 21cm (8¼ inches) in diameter, is fitted with a wall hanging frame as shown and is numbered as forming part of set no. 29 from a limited edition of 250 sets. The set of 6 plates cost £90, and are still in their original packaging.

Mrs Grayburn's daughters have donated the plates to The Enfield Society, suggesting that we may wish to use them to raise funds for the Society in memory of their mother.

We are therefore offering them to members as a "blind auction". If you would like to buy the set, please write to Plates Auction, The Enfield Society, 2 Parsonage Lane, Enfield, EN2 0AJ, saying how much you offer to pay. There is a reserve price of £50, so bids should



be for at least that amount. You can also send bids by email to [platesauction@enfieldsociety.org.uk](mailto:platesauction@enfieldsociety.org.uk).

The amount of any bid we receive will be kept confidential until the closing date, 5pm on Friday 26th August 2016. After that date we will contact the highest bidder to arrange for them to receive the plates. If two people bid the same highest amount the first one received will win, and if they both come at the same time we will choose one by lot. If you don't hear from us you will know that you have not been successful. We shall report the result in our next newsletter.

Good luck!

Leonard Will

## Newsletter contributions

Contributions to the newsletter from members are most welcome. Contributors' views may differ from those of the Management Committee, anonymous items are not published and we reserve the right to shorten or edit items before publication. Copy can be sent as an email attachment to [newsletter@enfieldsociety.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@enfieldsociety.org.uk), but items on paper can also be accepted. Contact the Newsletter Editor, Leonard Will, at the above email address or by telephone at (020) 8372 0092 if you have any questions about making a contribution. The copy date for the next issue is 14th October, and it will be published on 8th November.

Leonard Will