

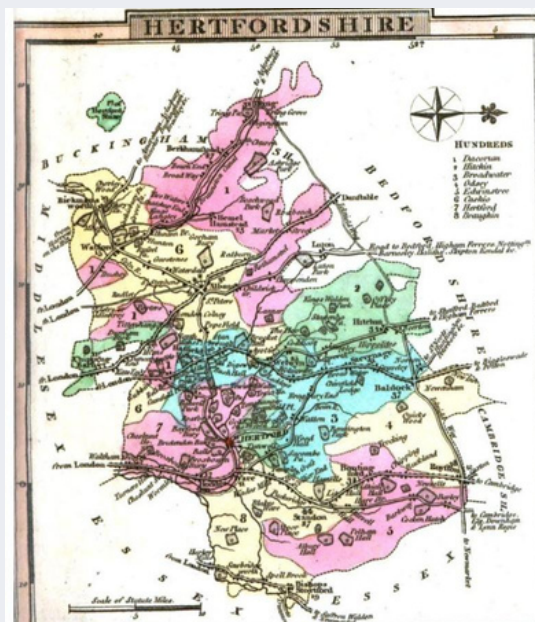


Hertfordshire Association for Local History 1949-2024

In 2024, the Hertfordshire Association for Local History marks its 75th anniversary and we'd like you to help us celebrate

Our forerunners, the Hertfordshire Local History Council, came into being in 1949. The surrounding years saw the return of the armed forces, the end of rationing, the birth of the new towns, the foundation of the National Health Service, and the marriage and coronation of our longest serving monarch. Our anniversary celebrations will centre on this post-war period, which will also be the theme for our symposium in 2024.

The HLHC was formed to bring together individuals or institutions interested in local history and to promote its study. We've approached local history societies, museums and other institutions across the county, inviting them to join our celebrations too, and hope to bring you more news soon. In the meantime, if you belong to a society, or volunteer at a museum, and would like to be involved, please get in touch.



As part of our celebrations, members will receive a monthly, email newsletter containing snippets of local history and related news.

We're now looking for contributions from you!

- **Do you have memories or family stories about any aspect of post-war life? For example, moving into a new town, memories of Queen Elizabeth's wedding or coronation, or receiving treatment under the new NHS? The Herts Memories website maintained by Hertfordshire Archives and Local Studies would also like to hear from you.**
- **Would you be willing to share old photographs (subject to copyright!), showing your area in the postwar period, or the transport and fashions of the day?**
- **Do you remember an old shop or business in your town which traded in the postwar period, but which has now gone? Perhaps your family once owned it and you can tell us more.**
- **Have you researched a relevant topic and would like to tell us about it? Would you be willing to give a talk at a local meeting? Or guide a walk around your area?**
- **Has your local history society published research on this era, or does your local museum hold a postwar collection?**
- **Do you have a favourite author writing in the postwar period, or a more modern novel set in the time, you can recommend to other members?**
- **Do you have a favourite film of the period, or can you recommend a film or TV series featuring this era.**
- **Please let us know of places you like to visit around the county – museums, gardens, stately homes, churches or heritage sites.**

The above are our suggestions but we're also open to ideas for short articles, recommendations, or activities you can help us arrange for our members.

Please feel free to forward this newsletter to anyone interested in local history or in joining HALH for 2024. Details of our memberships subscriptions and activities can be found at our website www.halh.org.uk, or by email from membership@halh.org.uk

HALH's data protection policy allows us to circulate our own news to members. During the coming year, and to promote other history societies and institutions within Hertfordshire, we would like to send you details of their events and activities. If you would rather not receive these emails – or the monthly local history newsletter – please let us know by emailing membership@halh.org.uk.

You will continue to receive regular HALH updates, however.