



Hertfordshire Association for Local History

News and Events

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website: www.halh.org.uk

HALH Annual Symposium 2024 Post-War Hertfordshire

The 45th Symposium will be held on Saturday 12 October 2024 at Katherine Warington School, Harpenden.

Throughout the year HALH has been marking its 75th anniversary. Known originally as the Hertfordshire Local History Council, it came into being in 1949. At that time the country was still coping with the aftermath of World War Two and so the theme of the symposium will be life in post-war Hertfordshire. Further details will be issued on our website in the months ahead. A list of the talks to be given at the symposium and details of how to book are set out overleaf.

HALH Subscriptions 2025

Please remember that your 2025 subscription for HALH is due on **1 January 2025**. Further details are contained on the Membership Form which is emailed to members in September and enclosed with the Autumn 2024 issue of *Herts Past & Present* to those members for whom we don't have an email address.

PLEASE NOTE that an increase in the subscription was approved at the AGM in May 2024. Members also agreed that the current single tier subscription be replaced by one comprising two tiers. These changes will come into effect from January 2025 and will operate in the following manner:

- HALH divides its membership into the following categories: individual members; joint/family members; and corporate members.
- All individual and joint members for whom we have an email address will receive an electronic copy of *Herts Past & Present* on publication, emailed to them as a PDF. They can also choose to have a printed version of *Herts Past & Present* in addition to the electronic version.
- Corporate members will receive a printed copy of *Herts Past & Present* on publication and also an electronic copy which they may distribute to their membership.

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 12 October 2024:

Symposium: *Post-War Hertfordshire*

Saturday 1 January 2025:

Subscriptions payable
(see details below)

Saturday ? May 2025:

HALH Spring Meeting and AGM,
date to be confirmed

Saturday ? October 2025:

Symposium: Date and theme
to be confirmed

PLEASE NOTE:

The Symposium used to take place in November. We found, however, that some members found this a difficult time of the year for getting to events and they particularly disliked having to get home in the late afternoon when the weather was often bad. In 2023 therefore we moved the Symposium to October. This appeared to be well received by the membership and so this year we'll be once again holding the Symposium in October.

- The annual subscription paid by individual and joint members will depend on whether they choose to have a printed version of *Herts Past & Present* in addition to the electronic version. If they only require the electronic version, then the annual subscription for individual members will be £14 and for joint members £17. If they wish to have a printed version, then the annual subscription for individual members will be £20 and for joint members £23.
- The annual subscription for corporate members will be £28.

The annual subscription is payable on
1 JANUARY

Details are available on our website:

www.halh.org.uk

or from:

**Dr Elaine Saunders, 26 Wood End Road,
Harpenden, Herts AL5 3ED**

Committee News

Our former Chairman Helen Hofton stood down at the 2024 AGM, having completed her five-year term. The new Chairman is Nicholas Maddex.

We are currently in need of volunteers to help with the running of HALH. If you were able to become a Trustee on the Executive Committee that would be great, but we fully appreciate that many of our members are involved in other organisations and activities, and are reluctant to take on additional commitments.

To this end, therefore, we've instituted the post of Associate Committee Member. Several people have now joined us in this capacity. They are not required to attend committee meetings but are able to concentrate on particular projects and initiatives. We particularly need people with IT skills to assist with secretarial work and webpage design.

If you would be interested in joining us, either as a Trustee or an Associate Committee Member, please let us know by emailing: contact@halh.org.uk

Forthcoming Events

Winter Lecture Series 2025

The HALH Winter Lecture Series, held via Zoom, is now a regular part of our programme. Details of the 2025 Winter Lecture Series will be posted on the website and emailed to members later in the year.

HALH Spring Meeting and AGM 2025

The Spring Meeting and AGM of HALH will take place on a Saturday in May 2025, date and venue to be confirmed. Admission is free for HALH members, £2 for visitors. The morning session will commence at 11.00. The afternoon session will begin with the AGM, followed by the Lionel Munby lecture. Further details to be included in *News & Events Spring 2025*.

HALH Annual Symposium 2025

The 46th Symposium will take place in October 2025. Under the theme 'Transport', we will look at the transport infrastructure and modes of transport employed in the county over the centuries. Further details to be included in *News & Events Spring 2025*.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION FOR LOCAL HISTORY 45th ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM

Saturday 12 October 2024 from 10.00–16.00

Katherine Warington School, Lower Luton Road, Harpenden AL5 5FH

Post-War Hertfordshire

The programme will include talks on:

Hertfordshire local history in the 1950s and 1960s (*Dr Heather Falvey*)

New Towns in Hertfordshire (*Chris Bennett or Gary Moyle*)

The Austerity Years: Life in Watford, 1945–50 (*Helen George*)

Local History and its Public Image in the 1940s (*Philip Sheail*)

Bedsteads, Go-Karts & Lawnmowers: Student life & learning in Hatfield, 1952–92 (*Dr Julie Moore*)

Innovation and Investigation: Hertfordshire and the Jet Age (*Dr Rudi Newman*)

Tickets £17 for HALH members; £20 for non-members. Buffet lunch £10.

Details of how to order tickets online have been emailed to members and can be found on our website: www.halh.org.uk. If you are not able to book online, please complete the form below, to arrive by **27 September 2024** with your cheque (payable to the HALH) and an SAE to:

Sheila White, 8 Pound Close, Braughing, Herts, SG11 2BH

Tel: 01920 821981; Mobile: 07931 256612; Email: contact@halh.org.uk

APPLICATION FORM

Name

Address Postcode

Email address Telephone No.

Please reserve tickets at £17 and/or tickets at £20

Please reserve tickets for lunch at £10

Please book a display table for Society