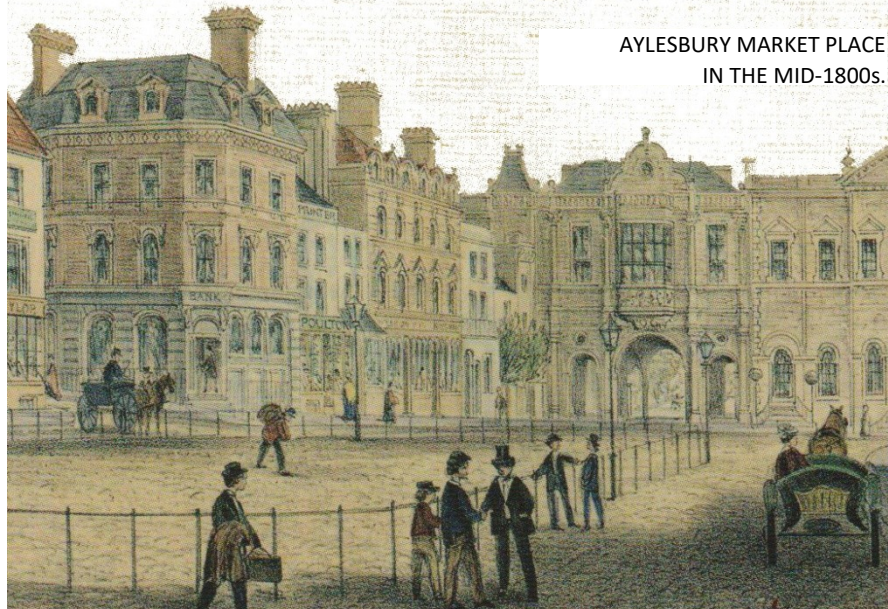


IN PERSON at Wycombe Abbey School in High Wycombe – and ONLINE using Zoom



AYLESBURY MARKET PLACE
IN THE MID-1800s.

Shopping in Buckinghamshire – from medieval market places to modern retail parks

TIMETABLE FOR THE DAY: Saturday 23 October 10am-4.30pm

10am *Doors open:* In the hall **tea/coffee** and a chance to view local history and archaeology society stalls. At home a chance to browse the same societies' pages on the BLHN 2021 website..

11am **Welcome and introduction** – John Lovelock

Questions and contributions will follow each talk.

11.05 **Buckinghamshire market places** – Julian Hunt, President of the Buckinghamshire Archaeological Society .

12.00 **Closed for stocktaking: Shops, market stalls and inventories in Winslow 1588–1750** – David Noy, Winslow History Project

1pm **One-hour lunch break.** In Wycombe, sandwich lunch provided and a second chance to view local history and archaeological society stalls. At home, view the societies' web pages on the BLHN 2021 website.

2pm **Shops and shopkeepers in High Wycombe in the late 18th-century** – Jackie Kay, Trustee, High Wycombe Society

3pm **From market town to Metroland – a history of shopping in Amersham** – Alison Bailey, Trustee, Amersham Museum

3.45 **Tea/coffee**

4pm **Retailing 2021: Past, present and future** – David Thorpe, founder, Bucks Local History Network

Early societies everywhere relied on barter – and this was still true in England after the Norman Conquest. You paid your dues to the lord by working on his land for so many days a year; the church took a tenth of your crops for their tithe; and your carrots could be exchanged for that blanket your son needed.

Markets in settlements across Buckinghamshire formalised this exchange. This required a grant from the king – and he required money in return.

Gradually that weekly market stall became an everyday fixture, and what was at first a board outside the workshop or house door became a shop, no less – and some Buckinghamshire villages became towns. But there was a time, within living memory, when every village had its shop...

Four of our speakers will map this process of historical and social change, with Winslow, High Wycombe and Amersham as exemplars for towns from Olney in the north to Beaconsfield in the south.

Our ways of shopping have been changing again this past year, so what next...?

• TALKS WILL BE ONLINE VIA ZOOM AT THE SAME TIMES AS IN THE HALL



SEE BELOW for travel, refreshments, society stalls, Covid precautions, the BLHN website...and more



BLHN ♦ 2021

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY NETWORK CONFERENCE ♦ Saturday 23 October 2021

YOUR TICKET

Your numbered ticket for the conference is attached below.

- If you have a printer, please print this ticket and bring it with you to the conference.
- Otherwise, please make a note of the ticket number and give this and your name to the conference reception.



BLHN Conference 2021 01

SHOPS AND SHOPPING IN BUCKS

Saturday 23 October 2021, Wycombe Abbey School

CONFERENCE IN PERSON

NAME: Mike Farley

SOCIETY: **Bucks Archaeological Society**

THE 2021 LOCAL HISTORY FAIR

Eleven Buckinghamshire history, archaeology and heritage societies and organisations will be running stalls at the conference:

- The Amersham Society • Buckinghamshire Archaeological Society
- Buckinghamshire Council Archaeology Service • Buckinghamshire Gardens Trust
- Buckinghamshire Historic Buildings Trust • Buckinghamshire Local Heritage List
- Celfunde Inheritance • Hedgerley Historical Society • The John Hampden Society
- Mike Farley's book bargains • Tring and District Local History and Museum Society
- Winslow History Project

COVID-19: KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE

The person-to-person Conference at Wycombe Abbey School will follow social-distancing:

- The Arts Centre auditorium will seat 200 people, so the conference limit of 80 people will allow sufficient social distancing without face coverings.
- But please bring face coverings to wear in enclosed spaces such as the toilets, while circulation spaces for society stalls and refreshments may also become busy.
- If, perhaps through illness or isolation, you are unable to attend in person, you can access all the talks via Zoom instead – see *Zoom access details on the next page*.

COFFEES, TEAS AND LUNCH

- Teas, coffees and water will be provided at 10.15am before the first talk, at lunchtime and at 3.45pm before the final talk.
- A sandwich lunch will be provided for everyone at 1pm
- Because these refreshments have been organised late, there will be no set charge for these, but BLHN will ask at conference reception for a donation towards their cost.
- If you have special dietary requirements, or preferences, please feel free to bring your own lunch.
- **One important request:** The school has a strict '**No nuts**' policy, so please observe this: no nutty snacks, packets of peanuts or nutty biscuits.
- Wycombe town centre shops and cafes are at least a 10-15 minute walk from the school; too far for lunchtime but not too far to visit before the conference starts.

MORE DETAILS ON NEXT PAGE...



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GETTING TO WYCOMBE ABBAY SCHOOL

- The school's Arts Centre, where our conference will be in the Recital Hall, is in parkland on the southern edge of High Wycombe town centre, within walking distance of the railway and bus stations and with its own car park.
- The entrance gate is on Abbey Way, on the south side of the multiple roundabout where the A40 London Road crosses the A404 from Amersham and Marlow. The gates are marked 'Wycombe Abbey'.
- All ticket-holders will need to identify themselves to the Security guard on the gate.
- **BY CAR:**
 - If using SatNav enter 'Abbey Way HP11' (the full postcode gives another gate).
 - From Beaconsfield direction on the A40, keep left at the multiple roundabout and turn in at the school gates.
 - From Amersham direction on the A404, follow the one-way system, then keep left at the multiple roundabout and turn in at the school gates.
 - From Marlow direction on the A404, and from M40 junction 4, at the bottom of the hill turn right at the first mini-roundabout, ignore (for the moment) the school gates on your right, and at the next mini-roundabout (in less than 100 yards) make a U-turn back on yourself and immediately go left into the school entrance.
- **FROM THE RAILWAY STATION:**
 - Leave the station by the main exit, which is from platform 2.
 - Head downhill, then straight on at the traffic lights on to Queen Victoria Road.
 - At the roundabout follow the railings round to the left, take the underpass beneath Abbey Way and turn right on the other side to reach the school entrance on your left.
 - Press the bottom button on the pedestrian gate keypad for admission.
- **FROM THE BUS STATION:**
 - From the middle of the bus-station concourse take the 'Exit to shops', and pass through the Eden Shopping Centre, turning left at 'Wenzels bakers' to follow a pedestrianised street, bearing right at 'ANI's Collections' to reach the High Street.
 - Follow the High Street to cross the traffic lights and turn right to follow Queen Victoria Road.
 - At the roundabout follow the railings round to the left, take the underpass beneath Abbey Way and turn right on the other side to reach the school entrance on your left.
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JOINING THE CONFERENCE VIA ZOOM Saturday 23 October from 10.45am

- Those with in-person tickets may join the conference at any time via Zoom.
- The Zoom meeting will be one full six-hour session, opening at 10.45am before the first talk starts at 11am, with live-streaming as the talks are given in the hall.
- The **Meeting ID** is **879 5819 5515**. This will be valid throughout the conference. The joining link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87958195515?pwd=a1JhdGg1eE9pQlISRUMvSi9jbHNYZz09>
- Guests will be able to leave the Zoom session, then rejoin at any time by re-entering the Meeting ID and Passcode (*see below*). Good Zoom etiquette is to leave the session if you are skipping a talk or for your lunch break, then rejoin when ready.
- To join or rejoin the Zoom session you will also need a **Passcode**. This will be sent to you two days before the conference.

Be sure to view the **BLHN 2021 Virtual Local History Fair** at www.bucksas.org.uk/blhn-societies-2021