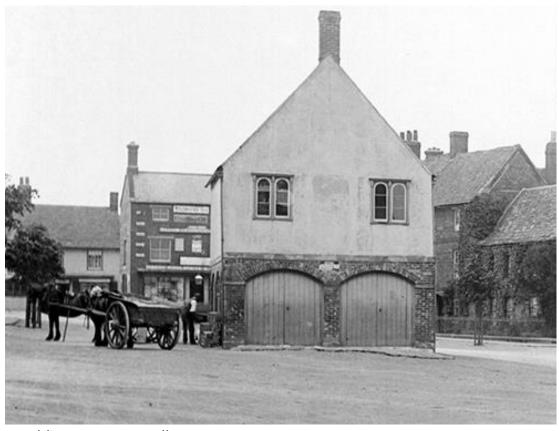
# Deddington and District History Society Programme for 2024-25



**Deddington Town Hall** 

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#### 2024

#### Thurs 10th October

## Karen and Brett Wiles: Life on the Home Front in World War II

What happened on the Home Front during WWII and how was the country kept going? Some very surprising facts, first hand memories, music and hundreds of photos.

# Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> November

## **Brian Pile:** Memories of Banbury Cattle Market

Midland Marts ran the Banbury Cattle Market from 1925 until 1998. It was the largest cattle market in the UK and one of the largest in Europe. Retired auctioneer Brian Pile will tell us about his work at Banbury.

## Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> December

# **Launton Handbell Ringers**

The Launton Handbell Ringers have a unique collection of bells and we can look forward to hearing about them and listening to their selection of music for Christmas time with each ringer holding four bells at one time.

# 2025

# **Thurs 9th January**

# **Tim Healey: A Seventeenth Century Christmas**

Yuletide celebrations during the English Civil War and Restoration, Wassailing rites, frost fairs and Twelfth Night customs are included in this talk by freelance writer and broadcaster Tim Healey.

# **Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> February**

# **Stephen Wass: Archaeology of Stowe Landscape Gardens**

Archaeologist Dr Stephen Wass has carried out a variety of archaeological investigations at Stowe Landscape Gardens. His talk will shed light on the long history of the site.

#### Thurs 13th March

## **Liz Woolley:** Lord Nuffield and the City of Oxford

William Morris, Viscount Nuffield, was an English motor manufacturer and philanthropist. In this talk Liz Woolley will take a closer look at the role Lord Nuffield played in changing the city of Oxford's physical, economic and social landscape.

# Thurs 10th April

Ciaran Walsh: Jericho: Oxford's first industrial suburb, from cholera epidemics to gentrification

Radical historian Ciaran Walsh will present a social history of Oxford's first working class suburb from hard times to gentrification.

# Thurs 8th May

# **Professor Robert Evans:** The Oxfordshire Blue Plaques scheme

Have you ever wondered who is nominated to be commemorated by a Blue Plaque? Professor Evans is Chairman of the Oxfordshire Blue Plaques Board and will tell us about the scheme and some of its recipients.

# Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> June

# **Clive Evans:** Deddington Primary School and its history

Deddington Primary School is an integral part of the community in Deddington but how much do you know of its history? Headteacher, Clive Evans, will share some interesting facts about the school.