

## **NEWSLETTER NUMBER 11 – MARCH 2024**

At last, we have our new permanent **Timeline** display. This is a much more robust and updated version of the original. It shows the development of Radlett and its surrounding areas and shows events of the time which were occurring around the country and in the World in general. Do come and see it. It is a credit to the research carried out by several Trustees and Volunteers.

We are currently working on our next display, which will replace the "Radlett Murder". The replacement has the provisional title of "What's in a name?" and will explore the origin of the names of roads and places in our area. The planned opening date is early March. A further popup display will feature the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Oakway Parade and the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Porters Park Golf Club.

There are now six **Museum Plaques** displayed on local buildings of historical interest:-

- The Red Lion Hotel
- The Flint cottages
- World War II Reporting Centre, in Gills Hill - by Scrubbitts Wood

- Radlett Village Institute
- The Railway Inn" pub, now 'Storia'
- Radlett United Synagogue (formerly the Radlett Hall).

There are fact sheets on each of these buildings in the Museum. Further plaques are planned for the Oakway Parade, the former Post Office and the Congregational Church (now the Radlett Reform Synagogue). We will then consider erecting plaques in Aldenham and Letchmore Heath.



We are once again planning to support the **Radlett Art Society's annual exhibition** on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> June. The Museum will be open for extended hours on both days.

After last year's bumper year, the only definite fund-raising event for this year is the fourth **Cream Tea Party.** It will be held on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July on the field at the Vision Hall. There will be adequate parking on site and, in the event of bad weather, we will be able to move into the hall. Other events being considered are a conducted walk around the centre of Radlett and a sponsored 5km walk around Aldenham Country Park. Check our website, the notice boards around the parish and future newsletters for further details.

As indicated above, the current financial year will be a relatively quiet one from a fund-raising point of view. As an entirely voluntary organisation, with significant fixed costs, we rely on our "Friends of the Museum" group plus grants, donations and special events to fund our ongoing operation. We also wish to improve our offering to our visitors. Consequently, we strive to add to our "Friends" group and to attract Legacies. If you wish to become a "Friend" and/or make a monetary donation in your will, please contact us (see contact details below) for further details.

We have an established board of Trustees, supported by a growing team of Volunteers. We would, however, welcome into our team people from the outer areas of the parish and those with up-to-date I.T. and Marketing skills. If you would like to help us, please contact any of our Trustees or email us on <a href="mailto:info@radlettmuseum.com">info@radlettmuseum.com</a>. Our postal address is 413A Watling Street, Radlett, WD7 7JG.

The Museum is located in the garden of the Village Institute, which is on the corner of Watling Street and Theobald Street. Our, opening hours are 10 to 12 on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Entry and parking are free. Please visit the Museum website: <a href="https://www.radlettmuseum.com">www.radlettmuseum.com</a> for the latest information.

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