



DORSET

ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE WEEK

A week of **free events** celebrating Dorset's rich historic environment



8th-17th September 2023



An East Dorset Heritage Trust Event
www.edht.org.uk





Welcome to... Dorset Architectural Heritage Week 2023

After the long awaited return last year, we are delighted to be back again with another full programme of events this year.

We are thrilled to have many 'old' regulars back and are also excited to have some brand new events join us in this wonderful celebration of architecture in Dorset.

We are incredibly grateful for all the volunteer hosts who have come forward to participate in this much-loved event which we hope will once again be a great success, placing Dorset in its rightful place on the Heritage Open Days events map.

For those who don't know - Dorset Architectural Heritage Week is a week-long celebration of the architecture of Dorset, both historic and contemporary, which until 2020, had taken place every September, for over 30 years.

All the events within this programme are completely **free of charge** to visitors. Some are specially arranged events, while others offer free entry to a property that normally charges.

Our beautiful county is home to some of the most stunning examples of architecture through the ages – from historic Castles to family homes, cemetery chapels, theatres, churches, historic mills and much more.....

We hope you will find the week both interesting and enjoyable and that the events you choose to visit will inspire you to further seek out what Dorset has to offer.

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Kerry Halliwell - Event Assistant



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Behind the scenes...

As you can imagine a lot of work goes into the organisation of Dorset Architectural Heritage Week, from compiling the programme, to the design, production, and distribution of the booklet, plus setting up the ticketing system and registration.

The DAHW ball starts rolling in March and gradually builds up momentum in April and May. June is a blur of activity, while the booklet is created, then in July it is printed and distributed. August is a frantic time of ticketing, until the week starts in September. Then it is all over!

All of the events are completely free, but the extensive work that goes into organising this event incur significant costs, which East Dorset Heritage Trust cannot meet alone.

This year's event is being funded by residue funds from previous years because we are currently without a sponsor. We are desperately looking for funding from new sources or new sponsors. So if you are interested, or if you represent an organisation that would be interested in helping us to continue this wonderful annual event for the future, please do get in touch with us!

Rest assured we will do our utmost to ensure that Dorset Architectural Heritage Week has a future!

Data Protection & Privacy

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Event 13 - Blandford Forum Masonic Hall



Event 59 - Walford Mill



Event 63 - Wimborne Minster Bell Tower

Bookable Events

The events listed on this page are all strictly limited in number and entry is by ticket only which are available from Eventbrite as detailed on the opposite page or by the individual event instructions listed.

For all other events in this booklet, you are welcome to just turn up on the day.

Everyone involved in DAHW are volunteers that freely give of their time and open their properties free of charge, so please remember to respect them. Please make sure that if you are attending a bookable event that you arrive in good time and are respectful of all advice and instructions that you will have been given. Please be fair to others and do not try to enter a bookable event without a valid ticket.

If you find that you are unable to attend a bookable event, please go to the Eventbrite website www.eventbrite.co.uk to cancel your ticket. This means that others who are on a waiting list will be able to take your place.



Allendale House Guided Tours
All Saints Church Tower Tours
- Book through Church Website
Arts University Bournemouth
Behind the Scenes at Russell-Cotes
Belmont
- Book through Landmark Trust
Blandford Fashion Museum
Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation
- Synagogue Prayer Hall
Bournemouth International Centre
Christchurch Priory Church Tour
Christchurch Priory Tower Tour
Clavell Tower
- Book through Landmark Trust
Deans Court
Dunshay Manor
- Book through Landmark Trust
Eventide Homes Almshouses at
Edgecombe Gardens
Exploratorium at the Palace Court
Theatre
Heather, Hay, Houses, Health Talk
Heather, Hay, Houses, Health Guided
Walk
Highcliffe Castle Guided Tour
Manor House Ruins
Museum of East Dorset Tour
Pamphill and Cowgrove Talk
Pamphill and Cowgrove Guided Walk
Pavilion Theatre and Ballroom Tour
Poole Museum
The Boathouse
The History of Wimborne Model Town
The Houseboat
Tour of The Regent, Christchurch
Tivoli Theatre Talk
Walford Mill
Wimborne Guided Walk
Wimborne Minster Bell Tower

Applying for Tickets

All events marked with a  must be booked in advance through Eventbrite

Eventbrite is a free online booking service which is easy to use for everyone.

It is a step-by-step process which can be done via your computer, laptop, tablet or smartphone.

You will find all the bookable events on the **Eventbrite** website under the same event name that is featured in this booklet.

All other events can be visited at the individual times and dates specified, without any prior booking.

Scan this QR Code for direct access to the Eventbrite booking page

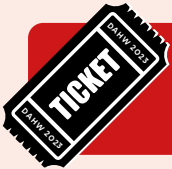


Line up the camera on your device with the QR code.

Hold the device steady until the code can be read in front of it.

All bookable tickets are also available by following this link:

<https://tinyurl.com/2yt5b73f>



**Ticket bookings go live from
9am on Friday 4th August.**



If you are unable to book yourself or would like some assistance, we will be available here at Allendale House to help you, so please call in!

Allendale House, Hanham Road, Wimborne Minster, Dorset, BH21 1AS

Open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm



Telephone: 01202 888992 Email: dahw@edht.org.uk

The booklet will be available to view or download in August at: **www.edht.org.uk**

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**QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE to all
of the events taking place during
Dorset Architectural Heritage Week...**

Friday 8th

Blandford Forum Cemetery Chapel
Bridport Town Hall
Church of our Lady, Queen Of Martyrs
and St Ignatius Open Day
Pavilion Theatre & Ballroom Tour 
Tivoli Theatre Talk 
Weld Memorial Chapel Open Day

Saturday 9th

Allendale House Open Day and Tours 
All Saints Church Wyke Regis
All Saints Church Wyke Regis Tower Tour 
Blandford Fashion Museum 
Bridport Quaker Meeting House
Bridport Town Hall
Church of our Lady, Queen Of Martyrs
and St Ignatius Open Day
Clavell Tower Open Day 
Dunshay Manor Open Day 
Sherborne Steam & Waterwheel
Centre Open Day
Skinner Street United Reform
Church Poole Open Day
St Michael and All Angels Church
Tour of The Regent Christchurch 
Weld Memorial Chapel Open Day

While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information contained within this booklet, details may be liable to change (sometimes at short notice) which are beyond our control. Responsibility cannot be accepted for subsequent alterations, errors, or omissions.

Sunday 10th

All Saints Church Wyke Regis
Blandford Forum Guided Heritage Walks
Briantspuddle Village Hall and Village Buildings
Church of our Lady, Queen Of Martyrs
and St Ignatius Open Day
Clavell Tower Open Day 
Dunshay Manor Open Day 
Exploring Heritage at Upton House
Nothe Fort Open Day
Sherborne Steam & Waterwheel
Centre Open Day
Shire Hall Museum Open Day
The Keep Military Museum Open Day
Weld Memorial Chapel Open Day

Monday 11th

All Saints Church Wyke Regis
Bridport Town Hall
Christchurch Priory Church Tours 
Christchurch Priory Tower Tours 
Deans Court House Tour 
Pavilion Theatre & Ballroom Tour 
St Andrews Church
St Michael and All Angels Church
Wimborne Minster Bell Tower Visit 

Tuesday 12th


All Saints Church Wyke Regis
Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation 
Bridport Town Hall
Eventide Homes Almshouses
at Edgcombe Gardens 
Guildhall Poole Guided Visit
Highcliffe Castle Heritage Open Day
Highcliffe Castle Guided Tours 
Pavilion Theatre & Ballroom Tour 
Wimborne Guided Walk 

Wednesday 13th

All Saints Church Wyke Regis
 Behind the Scenes at Russell-Cotes 
 Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation 
 Bournemouth Natural Science Society
 Bournemouth International Centre
 Guided Tour 
 Bridport Town Hall
 Manor House Ruins 
 Museum Tour, Museum of East Dorset 
 Pamphill & Cowgrove - The Fascinating
 Stories and Dwellings Talk 
 Pavilion Theatre & Ballroom Tour 
 St Michael and All Angels Church
 The Boathouse 
 The History of Wimborne Model Town 
 The Houseboat 
 Walford Mill - a brief look at a long history 

Thursday 14th

All Saints Church Wyke Regis
 Bournemouth International Centre
 Guided Tour 
 Bridport Town Hall
 Pavilion Theatre & Ballroom Tour 
 Richmond Hill St Andrew's United Reformed
 Church Open Morning
 Skinner Street United Reform
 Church Poole Open Day
 St Andrews Church
 The Boathouse 
 The Houseboat 
 Walford Mill -a brief look at a long history 

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Friday 15th

All Saints Church Wyke Regis
 Bridport Town Hall
 Church of our Lady, Queen Of Martyrs
 and St Ignatius Open Day
 Heather Hay Houses Health Talk 
 Morgan Carey Architects,
 The Goods Shed, Open Studio
 Pamphill & Cowgrove Guided Walk 
 St Michael and All Angels Church
 Sturminster Newton Heritage Trust Museum,
 Museum and Mill Open Day
 Weld Memorial Chapel Open Day

Saturday 16th

All Saints Church Wyke Regis
 All Saints Church Wyke Regis Tower Tour 
 Arts University Bournemouth Tour 
 Belmont Open Days 
 Blandford Forum Masonic Hall
 Blandford Forum Corn Exchange & Town Hall
 Bridport Town Hall
 Exploratorium at the Palace Court Theatre 
 Literary and Scientific Institute
 Museum of East Dorset Open Days
 Poole Museum 
 St James Church Poole
 Tudor House Open Day
 Weld Memorial Chapel Open Day

Sunday 17th

Blandford Forum Guided Heritage Walks
 Belmont Open Days 
 Blandford Forum Geology Walk
 Church of our Lady, Queen Of Martyrs
 and St Ignatius Open Day
 Heather Hay Houses Health Guided Walk 
 St Michael and All Angels Church
 Tudor House Open Day
 Weld Memorial Chapel Open Day
 West Bay Discovery Centre Uncovered

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A

1 Allendale House

Open Day

Saturday 9th, 10am to 4pm

Allendale House, Hanham Road,
Wimborne Minster, Dorset, BH21 1AS

www.edht.org.uk

**Come join us at the home of Dorset
Architectural Heritage Week!**

**Allendale House is 200 years old this year,
so come and celebrate with us!**

Enjoy the elegance of Georgian times with the Hampshire Regency Dancers and promenaders, together with the Dandy Chargers on their balance bikes. There will be an exhibition of the entries to the Allendale House Art Competition where the winners will be revealed. Plus, exhibitions, information boards, a tearoom, bookstall, and tours of our iconic Wimborne building.

Full Wheelchair Access
Assistance dogs welcome
No Parking
Accompanied Children Welcome
Accessible toilet on site



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2 Allendale House Guided Tours

**Saturday 9th, 10am, 11.30am,
1.30pm and 3pm**

Location details will be shown on ticket

Join us on a guided tour of this landmark Wimborne building. Learn about the family that built it with their local connections and what we know has happened in the 200 years since.

Partial Wheelchair Access
Assistance dogs welcome
No Parking
Accompanied Children Welcome
Accessible toilet on site

3 All Saints Church, Wyke Regis

Open Days

**Saturday 9th - Saturday 16th
10am to 4pm**

www.parishofwykeregis.org.uk

*All Saints Church, Portland Road, Wyke Regis,
Weymouth, DT4 9ES*

An important example of the Perpendicular style of architecture and is still essentially the building as completed in 1455. Sculptured heads of Henry VI, king when the church was built, and his queen, Margaret of Anjou, face each other across the nave. The font is of the same date as the church. The west tower, looking out over Lyme Bay, continues to be a notable landmark. There will be an opportunity for a tower tour on two Saturdays to learn more about the history of the church. Donations for the upkeep are very welcome.

*No parking on site, limited parking in
Portland Road*

Partial wheelchair access
Accessible toilets onsite
Assistance dogs welcome
Pushchair / pram friendly
Cameras Welcome
Dogs Welcome
Accompanied Children Welcome

4 All Saints Church, Wyke Regis 

Tower Tours

Saturday 9th and Saturday 16th

Booking for Tower tours only via church website.

www.parishofwykeregis.org.uk

All Saints Church, Portland Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth, DT4 9ES

The West Tower is a notable landmark over Lyme Bay, learn about the history of the church including a talk and tour. Refreshments available on 9th September.

No parking on site, limited parking in Portland Road

**No disabled Access
Cameras Welcome
Accompanied Children Welcome**

5 Arts University Bournemouth Tour 

Saturday 16th 1.30pm and 3pm

Location details will be shown on ticket

Tour of AUB campus - a living, breathing, academic environment for creativity with head-turning architecture hosting a community of like-minded makers and thinkers.



Some of our spaces are more than unique such as our Drawing Studio and the Innovation Studio, designed by Alumni Sir Peter Cook.

**Full Wheelchair Access
Cameras Welcome
Assistance Dogs
Accompanied Children Welcome**

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6 Behind the Scenes at the Russell-Cotes 

Wednesday 13th, 2pm to 3pm

Location details will be shown on ticket

www.russellcotes.com

Discover the history of the Russell-Cotes family and their home. Join a member of our curatorial team for a walking tour of areas of the museum not usually open to the public, including guest bedrooms and the servants' quarters.

**No disabled access
Assistance dogs only
Cameras Welcome
No Children**



7 Belmont Open Days 

**Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th,
10am to 4pm**

Tickets must be pre booked through the Landmark Trust website.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/belmont-public-open-days-september-2023-tickets-560425857827>

This fine 18th-century maritime villa in Lyme Regis is listed Grade II* and once belonged to the remarkable businesswoman, Mrs Eleanor Coade, who devised a formula to mass produce architectural embellishments and the house has been restored to that time. More recently Belmont was home to world-famous author, John Fowles and you are welcome to sit in his former writing room with its wide views of sea and sky. In the garden there is a Victorian observatory tower, with hatch and revolving

roof. Most of the long garden is left wild and it tumbles down to the esplanade, with a pebble beach and the Cobb beyond. Leaflets on the building's history and children's activity sheets will be available. Families are welcome and can picnic in the grounds if the weather is fine.

Please drop any guests with limited mobility at the house and then return your car to the pay and display car park located 100m away.

Please note: Due to the nature of our historic buildings and places, some may be unsuitable for those with limited mobility. We do all we can to enable access, but if you have any concerns, please contact our Booking Enquiries team on 01628 825925 (Mon to Fri - 9am to 5pm) or email booking@landmarktrust.org.uk.

No Disabled Access

Assistance dogs welcome

No Parking

Cameras Welcome

No Dogs

Not normally open to the public

8 Blandford Fashion Museum

Open Day

**Saturday 9th, 10am to 4pm
(last entry 3.30pm)**

Location details will be shown on ticket

www.blandfordfashionmuseum.co.uk

An opportunity to visit Blandford Fashion Museum which is housed in a beautiful grade II* listed Georgian building, built by the Bastard Brothers for their sisters following the Great Fire of Blandford 1731.

Visit the museum's attractive tearoom serving cream teas, homemade cakes, tea and coffee. There is also a gift shop stocking crafts by local crafts people.

Partial Disabled Access

Accessible toilets onsite

No Parking

Cameras welcome

No Dogs

Children Welcome

Normally open to the public

9 Blandford Forum Cemetery Chapel

Open Day

Friday 8th, 10am to 2pm

*Salisbury Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset,
DT11 7UX*

Blandford Forum's cemetery chapel was built in 1855 and is an important surviving example of both an unaltered early cemetery chapel and of Anglican church design in mid-nineteenth century Dorset. It was vandalised by an arson attack in September 2013 and has since been fully restored by the Town Council.



Full wheelchair access

Assistance dogs welcome

Pushchair / pram friendly

Disabled parking onsite

Parking on site

Cameras Welcome

Accompanied Children Welcome

Normally open to the public

**10 Blandford Forum
Corn Exchange and Town Hall
Saturday 16th, 10am to 1pm**

*Market Place, Blandford Forum, Dorset
DT11 7AF*

www.blandfordforum-tc.gov.uk

Visitors will be able to visit the Town Hall and Council Chamber, where a variety of items and information will be exhibited.



The Corn Exchange will be hosting a Community Expo on the day and visitors will be most welcome to visit.

- Refreshments will be available.**
- Disabled access to the Corn Exchange only (Town Hall and Council Chamber are accessible only via steep steps)**
- Partial wheelchair access**
- Assistance dogs welcome**
- Partial pushchair / pram friendly**
- Cameras Welcome**
- No Dogs**
- Accompanied Children Welcome**
- Normally open to the public**



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**11 Blandford Forum
Guided Heritage Walks
Sunday 10th and Sunday 17th, 11am**

<https://www.blandfordinfocentre.uk/history-facts-and-features/>

Meet at the Marsh & Ham car park, Blandford (behind Morrisons supermarket, DT11 7AW). Signed off West Street, Blandford (follow signs from Blandford bypass A350/A354 junction to Blandford town centre, enter town over town bridge and car park is immediately on right. For Stour Park car park follow signs from Blandford bypass A350/354 junction to Blandford town centre, take third exit at mini roundabout, then straight over the next to car park beyond the skate park and follow the footpath over river footbridge into Marsh & Ham car park.

A guided walk of the town centre taking approximately two hours.

Totally rebuilt after the Great Fire of 1731, the tour examines the history and detail of Blandford's Georgian and other architecture, including the Grade I listed parish church, Town Hall and other fine buildings designed by architects John and William Bastard. See also the birthplace of sculptor and artist Alfred Stevens who designed the Wellington Monument in St Paul's Cathedral, and whose work features in other places of note.

Please note: Disabled parking and toilet facilities are in the car park on arrival, and disabled toilet facilities are available halfway round the walk. The walk is on public footpaths which are normally accessible.

- Full wheelchair access**
- Assistance dogs welcome**
- Pushchair / pram friendly**
- Disabled parking onsite**
- Cameras welcome**
- Dogs Welcome on leads**
- Accompanied Children Welcome**



12 Blandford Forum Geology Guided Walk

New Event

Sunday 17th, 3pm

Please meet in the town centre at the Market Place in front of Scrivens Opticians (DT11 7AF) at the junction of West Street and Salisbury Street.

<https://www.blandfordinfocentre.uk/history-facts-and-features/>

A guided walk taking approximately two hours around the town examining the geology of the stones making up its architecture, some of which date back millions of years.

Please note: Disabled parking and toilet facilities are in the car park on arrival, and disabled toilet facilities are available halfway round the walk. The walk is on public footpaths which are normally accessible.

Full wheelchair access

Assistance dogs welcome

Pushchair / pram friendly

Disabled parking onsite

Cameras welcome

Dogs Welcome

Accompanied Children Welcome

13 Blandford Forum Masonic Hall New Event

Open Day

Saturday 16th, 10am to 1pm

27 West Street, Blandford, Dorset, DT11 7AW

While the entrance to this building may be modest, behind it lies an impressive Masonic temple. This little-known and esoteric building was originally built circa 1770 and, as the Blandford Assembly Rooms, hosted Franz Liszt for a performance during his acclaimed tour of Europe in 1840-41. It has been in constant use as a Masonic Hall from 1869 to the present day. Come and visit this historic building with its fascinating temple and numerous Masonic artefacts. Discover more about the history of Freemasonry in Blandford and about some of the well-known local characters who were members of the organisation.

Rooms are at first floor level so no wheelchair access, but there is a stairlift.

No Cameras

No Dogs

Parking in nearby public car park

Not normally open to the public

14 Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation - Synagogue Prayer Hall

Guided Tour

**Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th,
10am**

Location details will be shown on ticket

www.bhcs Hul.co.uk

Built in 1911, in a style described as a very contemporary 'Art Nouveau take on the Moorish Revival Style'. The Prayer Hall has brick walls under a pitched slate roof, designed with four symmetrical bays of barrel vault design, with the adjacent entrance via a squat tower with a square domed cupola. The combination of stained glass, lighting and seating arrangement, make it a visually strong interior.

The building complex has undergone many extensions and alterations. The Prayer Hall itself re-opened in 1962, following sympathetic extensions which were carried out to reflect the style of the original. The visit will last approximately 45 minutes.

Full Disabled Access. Wheelchair access available by prior arrangement.

Accessible toilet onsite

Parking available on-site but is limited

Assistance dogs only

Accompanied Children welcome

Exterior photography only

Not normally open to the public

15 Bournemouth International Centre Guided Tour

**Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th,
2.30pm**

A rare opportunity to have guided tour of the 1984 BIC, including all four venues, the Windsor Hall, Tregonwell Hall, Purbeck Hall and Solent Hall with associated break out spaces.

Please note: All tours vary according to what is available on the day and a visit to the venue stages are not guaranteed; it is never possible to attend stage rehearsals. Remember that you are visiting a working venue and plans may change at short notice. Photography is not always permitted on backstage tours – your guide will confirm this on the day. Tours are subject to cancellation due to operational issues. The tours include access to technical areas via some steep stairs.

No Disabled Access

**Parking multi storey carpark
(pay and display) on site**

No Cameras

No Dogs

Accompanied children

Normally open to the public





16 Bournemouth Natural Science Society

Guided Tour

Wednesday 13th, 11am and 2pm

Bournemouth Natural Science Society, 39 Christchurch Road (near Derby Road), Bournemouth, BH1 3NS. On main bus routes. Approx ½ mile from Bournemouth station. Meet at the front of the building

www.bnss.org.uk

Guided tour of a Grade II listed Victorian villa (1880). The villa was constructed in the Italianate style for a wealthy merchant, John Cassels. This tour looks at the detailed architectural features externally and internally as well as the history of the building. After the tour there is a chance to view the Victorian natural history and antiquarian collections in the building. Donations welcome.

- Partial wheelchair access**
- Disabled parking onsite**
- Parking available on-site but is limited.**
- Cameras Welcome for non-commercial use**
- Accompanied Children Welcome**
- No Dogs**
- Normally open to public**
- Disabled access to ground floor only**

17 Briantspuddle Village Hall and Village Buildings

Open Day

Sunday 10th, 1pm to 5pm

Meet at the Village Hall, Main Street, Briantspuddle, Dorchester, DT2 7HT

www.briantspuddle.info/village-hall/

The thatched village hall at Briantspuddle is one of two such buildings in Dorset and was converted from a barn in the 1920's. Internally, although it has many modern facilities, a glance at the roof of the main hall will reveal its former use as a barn.

The village has workers cottages built in the Arts and Crafts style designed by Halsey Ricardo and Macdonald Gill, a magnificent war memorial by Eric Gill which are all part of the Bladen Estate - a model farm created by Sir Ernest Debenham.

There will be a small exhibition on the architecture and history of the Bladen Estate in the village hall, where refreshments will also be available.

- Partial wheelchair access**
- Accessible toilets onsite**
- Assistance dogs welcome**
- Pushchair / pram friendly**
- Disabled parking onsite**
- Car parking at the Village Hall**
- Cameras Welcome**
- Dogs Welcome**
- Accompanied Children Welcome**
- Not normally open to the public**



18 Bridport Quaker Meeting House

Open Day

Saturday 9th, 10am to 3pm

97 South Street, Bridport, Dorset, DT6 3NZ.

www.bridportquakers.org

There is a public car park on the east side of South Street, a short walking distance from the Meeting House. Proceed south down South Street and look for the Quaker sign on the left, opposite St Mary's Church.

Bicycles can be locked in the bike rack in the courtyard near the front door.

Visitors can explore the Meeting House which has been in use by Bridport Quakers since 1697. Follow a timeline exhibition of the building's history and see how the building is used today by Quakers and the local community. The Peace Garden will be open for quiet relaxation and picnics.

Refreshments available with donations to charity welcome.

A book detailing 300 years of Bridport's Quaker History will be on sale at £5, which will be donated to charity. Historical postcards free. Leaflets on Quakerism today free to take away, and current members of the Meeting will be on hand to answer any questions.

- Full Wheelchair Access**
- Accessible Toilet Onsite**
- Assistance Dogs Welcome**
- Pushchair Pram Friendly**
- No parking on site - South Street Car Park is the nearest**
- Cameras Welcome**
- Dogs Welcome**
- Accompanied children welcome**



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19 Bridport Town Hall

Open Day

Friday 8th, Saturday 9th, Monday 11th, Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th, Thursday 14th, Friday 15th and Saturday 16th

10am to 3pm

The Town Hall is in the centre of Bridport at the junction of East, West and South Streets.

Entrance is via the Tourist Information Centre on the south side of the building in South Street.

www.bridportandwestbay.co.uk/town-hall

A former court house, this listed Georgian Town Hall holds the significant collection of paintings by Fra Newbery (former Director of Glasgow School of Art) which depict aspects of the town's history particularly the rope and net industry.

There is also a large sculpture by Greta Berlin.

NO onsite Parking
Full Disabled Access





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20 Christchurch Priory Church Tour **Monday 11th, 2pm-3pm and 3pm-4pm**

Location details will be shown on ticket

www.christchurchpriory.org

The Priory Church in Christchurch is over 900 years old and is the longest parish church in England, larger than 21 Anglican cathedrals throughout the country.

Come and enjoy a tour around the church which includes the Great Quire with ancient Misericords, and two crypts if mobile (a dozen steps), four Chantries, the Miraculous Beam and Cloister Way with stained glass story of the church and other parts not normally open to the public.

Parking at Priory House if space (Honesty box) or main Priory Carpark, both accessed from Quay Road.

Partial Wheelchair Access

Accessible toilet on site

Cameras Welcome

Assistance Dogs Only in Church

Accompanied Children welcome over 8 years

Normally open to the public

21 Christchurch Priory, Tower Tours **Monday 11th, 2pm-3pm and 3pm-4pm**

Location details will be shown on ticket

www.christchurchpriory.org

Come climb the 176 steps of the tower and enjoy spectacular views around the countryside as far reaching as Salisbury.

Walking shoes advised (Uneven steps)

Parking at Priory House if space (Honesty box) or main Priory Carpark, both accessed from Quay Road.


No Disabled Access

Accessible toilet on site

Cameras Welcome

No Dogs

Accompanied Children welcome over 8 years

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**22 Church of Our Lady,
Queen of Martyrs and St Ignatius
Open Days**

**Friday 8th, Saturday 9th, Sunday 10th,
Friday 15th and Sunday 17th,
2pm to 4pm**

North Road, Chideock, Bridport DT6 6LF
www.chideockmartyrschurch.org.uk

Chideock is on the A35, 2 miles west of Bridport. Turn into North Road by St Giles Parish Church and the church is quarter of a mile along the lane on the right, with carpark beyond.

Built in 1874 by Charles Weld of adjoining Chideock Manor, this beautiful, Grade II* Italian Romanesque Church is a gem of English Catholicism. It is the Shrine of the Dorset Martyrs, a Marian Shrine, and has a small museum attached showing local history and village life through the ages.



The Sacristy will be specially opened to view the wall paintings, the Fra Newbery painting of the Chideock Martyrs, and the site of the original barn chapel where mass was said secretly in penal times. Donations for upkeep are very welcome.

**Partial Wheelchair access
Cameras welcome
Parking Available on Site
Dogs welcome
Children welcome
Normally open to the Public**

23 Clavell Tower Open Day 

**Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th,
10am to 4pm**

Clavell Tower, Kimmeridge, Dorset, BH20 5PE

**Tickets must be pre-booked through the
Landmark Trust Website:**

<https://www.landmarktrust.org.uk/news-and-events/upcoming-events/clavell-open-day-23/>

Clavell Tower is a four storey, circular tower standing high on the cliff above Kimmeridge Bay overlooking one of the most striking bays on the Dorset coast. Here is the Jurassic Coast, England's first natural World Heritage Site, and the South West Coastal Path runs past the door.



High up on the cliff, the tower, built in 1830, is a well-known landmark and its location enables you to witness the changing light, weather and sea and has captivated many, including writers like Hardy and PD James. Leaflets on the building's history and children's activity sheets will be available.

Pre-booking is preferred but not essential and we welcome drop in visitors on the day.

Please note: - There is no parking in the village at all. The Smedmore Estate on whose land Clavell Tower stands has a parking area which costs £6.00 for the day (card payments only) and this give access to the coast line and to the property. Once parked, Clavell Tower can only be reached on foot up a steep coastal path.

**No Disabled Access
Cameras Welcome
Dogs Welcome
Accompanied Children Welcome
Not normally open to the public**

D

24 Deans Court Guided Tour 

Monday 11th, 10am, 11am and 2.30pm

Location details will be shown on ticket

www.deanscourt.org

This tour brings to life the 1,300-year story of a manor house at the centre of a rural English community. Beginning with an introduction to the history of the house and the Hanham family, visitors are guided through the rooms where 500 years of ancestral portraits still grace the walls. Visitors will experience the history of the house as it passed from the Saxon Church to a family of adventurers, politicians, churchmen and soldiers.



Generally, access to the historic house comes with its share of challenges, especially as the building is so old. Access into the house is not level and there is no lift inside and it is surrounded by loose gravel that can also be difficult to traverse safely.

Regrettably mobility scooters are not permitted inside the house, as they are too large and lack the level of manoeuvrability needed for safe entry and exit.

No Disabled Access
Pushchair / pram friendly

Disabled parking onsite

No cameras

No Dogs

Accompanied Children

Not normally open to the public

25 Dunshay Manor 

Open Days

**Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th,
10am to 4pm**

Tickets must be pre booked through the Landmark Trust website: <https://www.landmarktrust.org.uk/news-and-events/upcoming-events/dunshay-manor-open-days-2023/>

For most of the 20th century, Dunshay Manor, near Harman's Cross, was home to a remarkable artistic family: George and Hilda Spencer Watson, and their daughter, renowned sculptor Mary Spencer Watson, who bequeathed the house to building preservation charity, the Landmark Trust. Newly restored and refurbished, this is a rare chance to see the house and find out more about the Spencer Watsons. Corfe Castle appears across the fields and the Swanage Steam Railway passes close by.

There is no parking on site. Please park in the carpark opposite Harman's Cross Village Hall - this operates on an honesty box system with a suggested donation of £1 per car.

Please note: Due to the nature of our historic buildings and places, some may be unsuitable for those with limited mobility. We do all we can to enable access, but if you have any concerns, please contact our Booking Enquiries team on 01628 825925 (Mon to Fri - 9am to 5pm) or email booking@landmarktrust.org.uk.

No Disabled Access

Assistance Dogs Welcome

Cameras welcome

Dogs Welcome

Accompanied Children Welcome

Not Normally Open to the Public



E

26 Eventide Homes Almshouses at Edgecombe Gardens 

Tuesday 12th, 10am

Location details will be shown on ticket

www.eventidehomes.co.uk

The Eventide Homes’ founder, JR Edgecombe became increasingly aware of the growing number of cases of extreme hardship in the area. This was particularly so amongst women, who through no fault of their own, were left homeless and without adequate means of support. In 1933, he was elected as Mayor, an office which he held for three years, becoming an Alderman, and it was during this time that JR Edgecombe envisaged a community of small villas where the needy could find security in the latter part of their lives.

The Homes are a striking testimony to the skill of architect Philip Hardy. In the partnership of ‘Seal and Hardy’, his work also included, the very different, Art Deco Echo offices on Richmond Hill in Bournemouth and the Westover Road Ice Rink.

As well as a tour of our grounds and assembly hall (which was made possible thanks to the kindness of a donation from Sir Alexander Maclean, of toothpaste fame), History students from Bournemouth University have curated an exhibition space displaying and presenting our heritage material.

No Disabled Access

No Cameras

No Dogs

Accompanied Children Welcome

Not normally open to the public

We ask that visitors do not take photographs of any residents, their friend’s family and visitors etc.



All events marked with this symbol must be pre-booked.

See page 5 or SCAN HERE



27 Exploratorium at the Palace Court Theatre Tour 

Saturday 16th, 9.30am and 11am

Location details will be shown on ticket

<https://aub.ac.uk/>

Palace Court Theatre tour - tour of the currently accessible spaces at The Exploratorium at the Palace Court Theatre. The space introduces a unique new venue and opens up parts of the building for creative experimentation. The Exploratorium welcomes AUB staff and students, local creatives and the public to embark on a programme of imaginative adventures and become part of the history of this beautiful but as yet un-refurbished 1930’s playhouse.

The tour will include an insight into the building’s history. Within what the space currently allows, we want to be as welcoming and accessible as possible. Please wrap up warm, bring an open mind, and let us know if you may need assistance by emailing engagement@aub.ac.uk

Partial Wheelchair Access

Assistance dogs only

Cameras Welcome

Normally open to the public





28 Exploring Heritage at Upton House

Sunday 10th, 10am to 4pm

Open Day (with bookable tours)

Guided tour tickets must be prebooked via the Upton House website: www.uptoncountrypark.com

Come along to Upton House to experience the history and heritage of one of Poole's best-known landmarks. Upton House will be open to the public with additional access to the usual openings. Staff, volunteers, and Friends of Upton Country Park will be leading house tours, with exclusive access to the basement and the former servants' quarters.

Partial Wheelchair access

Accessible toilets onsite

Assistance dogs only

Please use the Upton Country car park for this event

Pushchair/pram friendly

Disabled parking onsite

Cameras welcome

Accompanied Children Welcome

Not normally open to the public



All events marked with this symbol must be pre-booked.

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G

29 Guildhall, Poole

Guided Visit

Tuesday 12th, 10am to 12 noon

The Guildhall, Market Street, Poole BH15 1NF

www.societyforpoole.org

Poole Guildhall, a two-storey brown brick building designed in "Palladian taste" style, and enhanced with limestone dressing, was built in the Coronation year of King George III (1761) to house the administration prescribed by Queen Elizabeth I who made Poole a county separate from Dorset. The building has been considerably adapted but externally the alterations have been sympathetic, and the elegant front elevation has been retained. The Hall of Justice with its judicial bench remains intact and is now a wedding hall. A short presentation on the Guildhall will be held at 10.45am

Partial Wheelchair Access

Accessible Toilets on site

Disabled Parking on site

Please use public car parks.

NO on site parking please

Cameras Welcome

No Dogs

Accompanied Children Welcome

Not normally open to public

H

30 Heather, Hay, Houses, Health - Talk 

New Event

Friday 15th, 11am

Location details will be shown on ticket

An illustrated talk on how a Surrey land agent and businessman called William Webb came to create Ashley Heath village between 1920 and 1930.

Webb was already well known for his successful 'Garden First' development near Croydon on the edge of South London. In 1912 this was acclaimed as an example that if followed by landowners throughout the country then "surely this England of ours would be a better and brighter place in which to live", and even today has been called "London's best kept secret".

This talk goes on to describe Webb's 'Garden First' thinking, and how he brought a similar set of ideas to what he called his 'Hampshire Heath Garden Estate' development on southern heathland. View his designs for small concrete buildings, a few of which still exist, including "the shortest High Street in England".

- Full wheelchair access**
- Accessible toilets onsite**
- Assistance dogs only**
- Limited disabled parking onsite**
- No Cameras**



31 Heather, Hay, Houses, Health - Guided Walk 

New Event

Sunday 17th, 10am

Location details will be shown on ticket

In support of the Heather Hay Houses Health talk, this a guided walk through Ashley Heath to view the landmarks that still exist from William Webb's original development, and how these have changed since then - including the "shortest High Street" and "longest (railway) halt" in England.

A mostly level walk of approximately 2 hours, mostly on pavements, but with some gravel footpaths that could be muddy if it has been raining. Please wear sensible shoes.

- Partial wheelchair access**
- Assistance dogs welcome**
- Pushchair / pram friendly**
- Disabled parking onsite**
- On street parking**
- Cameras welcome**
- Accompanied children welcome**



32 Highcliffe Castle

Open Day

**Tuesday 12th, 10am to 4pm
(last entry 3pm)**

Highcliffe Castle, Rothesay Drive, Christchurch,
Dorset BH23 4LE

**O1202 093 377 for travel information, please
visit - [www.highcliffecastle.co.uk/visit/
directions/](http://www.highcliffecastle.co.uk/visit/directions/)**

Visit Highcliffe Castle for free during this
one-day special event.

Highcliffe Castle highlights include the Stained-
Glass Studio, plus fun family activities such as
our dressing up area and indoor trails.

*Please note, our car park is pay and display and
can get very busy during peak times.*

*Parking available onsite payment is by coins
or via one of the following parking apps:
PayByPhone, RingGo or JustPark You can find
more information on our website - [https://www.
highcliffecastle.co.uk/carpark](https://www.highcliffecastle.co.uk/carpark)*

**Partial wheelchair access
Accessible toilets onsite
Parking available on site
Assistance dogs only
Pushchair pram friendly
Accompanied children
Disabled parking – charges apply**

33 Highcliffe Castle Guided Tours

**Tuesday 12th, 11am, 12pm,
1pm and 2pm**

Location details will be shown on ticket

Visit Highcliffe Castle during this one day special
event and sign up to our complimentary 'behind
the scenes' guided tours to discover areas not
usually on the visitor route.

Highcliffe Castle highlights include the Stained
Glass Studio, plus fun family activities such as
our dressing up area and indoor trails.

Guided tours are suitable for children aged 8
and above and the route does include some
uneven floors. There is a platform lift available to
travel between floors. If you have any questions
about accessibility, please email
enquiries@highcliffecastle.co.uk or call us on
O1202 093 377, and we will be happy to assist.

*Please note, our car park is pay and display and
can get very busy during peak times. Please
allow time to seek alternative parking nearby
(Steamer Point Car Park BH23 4TA and Cliff Top
Car Park BH23 5DF) and use public transport
whenever possible.*

**Partial wheelchair access
Accessible toilets onsite
Assistance dogs only
Accompanied children welcome 8 years
Pushchair pram friendly
Disabled parking**



L

34 Literary and Scientific Institute Bridport

New Event

Open Day

Saturday 16th, 10am to 1pm

Literary and Scientific Institute, 51 East Street, Bridport, DT6 3JX



This impressive town centre building with an educational and philanthropic based history was constructed in 1835. It has an interesting story covering mechanics, literature, science, and art but has been renovated and repurposed for the needs of today.

This open day gives you the opportunity to have a guided tour of the building with the addition of possible art exhibitions.

Partial Wheelchair Access

Accessible Toilets

Assistance dogs only

Parking - East Street Pay and Display

Accompanied Children welcome

Normally open to the public



M

35 Manor House Ruins 

Guided Tour

Wednesday 13th, 11am

Location details will be shown on ticket

Visit the ruins of a 13th century Scheduled Monument within a peaceful garden, by a pristine Dorset chalk stream.



A tour around the ruins of a substantial 13th Century Manor House in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The ruins have been recently restored and stabilised, and include 3 fine first floor stone window seats, on the banks of the River Allen.

Parking On the road outside property and nearby within the village.

No disabled access

Cameras welcome

No dogs

No children

Not normally open to the public

36 Morgan Carey Architects, The Goods Shed

Open Studio

Friday 15th, 10am to 4pm

*Morgan Carey Architects, The Goods Shed,
Sandford Lane, Wareham, Dorset BH20 4DX*

www.morgancarey.co.uk

A chance to see a working Architects Practice in full swing and visit their converted railway goods shed studio. This is a working office, and we will be busy so please do not be offended if you are left to look around on your own! No parking on site but very close to Wareham railway station

Please report to reception and a member of the team will show you around. Please note that many documents and projects in the studio will be confidential so please ask before taking photographs.

No parking

Full wheelchair access

Cameras Welcome

Dogs Welcome

Children Welcome



37 Museum of East Dorset

Open Day

Saturday 16th, 10am to 4.30pm

*23-29 High Street, Wimborne Minster, Dorset,
BH21 1HR*

www.museumofeastdorset.co.uk

Step into our historic house and discover the fascinating stories of the people who lived and worked here over the centuries. During your visit, we invite you to explore the numerous collections and themed exhibitions and find out more about Wimborne Minster and the surrounding areas of East Dorset.

There is something for everyone, from the stunning Roman wall paintings and ancient archaeological artefacts to the beautifully preserved kitchen that takes you back in time. Why not watch the world go by in our Tea Room which overlooks the beautiful garden.

Last entry to the Museum is 4pm. Last orders in tearoom is 4pm

Full disabled access

Accessible toilets onsite

Assistance dogs only

Pushchair / pram friendly

No parking please use public car parks

Children welcome

Normally open to the public

38 Museum of East Dorset Tour

Wednesday 13th, 2pm

www.museumofeastdorset.co.uk

Guided tour of the historic house. Discover the fascinating stories of the people who lived and worked there over the centuries.

Full wheelchair access

Accessible toilets onsite

Assistance dogs only

Pushchair / pram friendly

No parking please use public car parks

Cameras Welcome

Accompanied Children Welcome

N**39 Nothe Fort
Open Day****Sunday 10th, 10.30am to 4pm***Nothe Fort, Barrack Road, Weymouth DT4 8UF***www.nothefort.org.uk**

Nothe Fort is Weymouth's number one heritage attraction. Located at the entrance to Weymouth Harbour, the Fort offers excellent 360 degree views across Dorset's Jurassic Coast.

Discover the maze of underground passages, a museum of the Fort's history, parade ground, impressive guns positioned high on the ramparts, and the day will include the Artillery firing their guns.

Full Wheelchair access**Parking Outside entrance****Cameras Welcome****Dogs Welcome****Accompanied Children Welcome**

Please note: Our lift has a maximum size of 1150mm x 850mm so may not fit the largest mobility vehicles.

**P****40 Pamphill and Cowgrove -
The Fascinating Stories and
Dwellings Talk** **New Event****Wednesday 13th, 2pm**

The villages of Pamphill and Cowgrove have a fascinating story to tell. This talk will discover a 'behind the facade' history of the unique collection of houses and cottages located in an area which dates from the Saxon, Medieval and later periods, and part of the great royal manor of Kingston Lacy.

This talk is aimed at people who are unable to attend the walk on Friday 15th but would still like to learn more about the area, the information will be the same.

Full wheelchair access**Accessible toilets onsite****Assistance dogs welcome****Pushchair / pram friendly****41 Pamphill and Cowgrove
Guided Walk** **New Event****Friday 15th, 10am and 2pm***Location details will be shown on ticket*

The villages of Pamphill and Cowgrove have a fascinating story to tell. This 2.5 mile guided walk will discover a 'behind the facade' history of the unique collection of houses and cottages located in an area which dates from the Saxon, Medieval and later periods and part of the great royal manor of Kingston Lacy.

Majority of route is on hard surfaces or tarmac roads but sensible walking shoes and clothing is advisable.

No Disabled Access**Assistance dogs only****Pushchair Friendly**

42 Pavilion Theatre and Ballroom Tour

**Friday 8th, Monday 11th, Tuesday 12th,
Wednesday 13th, Thursday 14th at
10am and Tuesday 12th at 2pm**

Location details will be shown on ticket

Join us for a tour of Bournemouth's magnificent original 1929 Grade 2 Listed Pavilion. Gain an insight into its history, architecture, and the backstage areas. The tour lasts 1.5 hours and includes all front of house areas and the Ballroom, in the company of well-informed, enthusiastic guides.

Please note: All tours vary according to what is available on the day and a visit to the theatre stage is not guaranteed; it is never possible to attend stage rehearsals. Remember that you are visiting a working theatre and plans may change at short notice. Photography is not always permitted on backstage tours – your guide will confirm this on the day. Tours are subject to cancellation due to operational issues. The tours include access to technical areas via many steep stairs.

No disabled Access

Cameras Welcome

No Dogs

Accompanied Children Welcome

Normally open to the public

Parking in public car parks

43 Poole Museum

**Saturday 16th,
10am, 12 noon and 3pm.**

Location details will be shown on ticket

<https://www.poolemuseum.org.uk>

"Hard Hat" Guided Tour of Poole Museum, Town Cellars and Scaplen's Court and Garden.

Join us for a fascinating 'behind the scenes tour' with our expert project team of curators, architects, exhibition designers, and builders. You'll tour our three heritage buildings inside and out and contributions from the team will reveal the work underway to restore, conserve and remodel Poole Museum and redisplay our collections in a museum that is fit for the future.

**Each tour will last approximately
90 minutes.**

**Poole Museum is a live construction site
and hard hats and high vis jackets will be
provided, and must be worn.**

**Please wear sensible shoes. There will be
adequate seating on the way round.**

No disabled Access

Accompanied Children Welcome

No dogs allowed

Cameras Welcome

Please use public car parks



R**44 Richmond Hill St Andrew's
United Reformed Church****Open Morning****Thursday 14th, 10am to 1pm***St Stephens Road, Bournemouth, BH2 6JJ***www.bournemouth-urc.org.uk/church_bournemouth.html**

This 'Cathedral of Congregationalism', as it was once known, mainly dates from 1891, designed by local architectural practice Lawson & Donkin in the classic Gothic style and, able to seat over 1000, has probably the largest capacity of any church in the town. Following the first World War, the Magnificent South Window was re-glazed in stained glass by the renowned firm Clayton & Bell in memory of the 24 members of the congregation who died in the war. The two main themes of the window are Bunyan's Pilgrims' Progress, and Sir Galahad and the quest for the Holy Grail: 'They were Great-Hearts and Helps these lads of ours'.

Particular features of the church are the concentric pews in the front half of the church, which give it a particular intimacy and warmth; and the large painting of the 'Good Shepard' central to the apse.

Also worth seeing is the 1950's St Andrew's Chapel, complete with its stained-glass windows, one of which is Holman Hunt's 'The Light of the World'. There will be Pause for Prayer 10.30 to 11.00 and a Coffee Morning 11.00 to 12.00

Full Disabled Access**Disabled Parking on site****Onsite parking available****Pushchair/Pram Friendly****Cameras Welcome****No Dogs****Not normally open****S****45 Sherborne Steam
and Waterwheel Centre****Open Day****Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th,
11.30am to 3.30pm***Oborne Road, Sherborne, DT9 3RX*

Pedestrian access to site via short driveway from Oborne Road marked by notices and flags.

www.sswc.co.uk**Facebook: SherborneSteam**

The centre brings alive the history of the supply of drinking water to Sherborne and surrounding villages, initially to combat high death rates from infectious diseases in the mid-1860s. The large waterwheel and Dorset-built Hindley steam will be running, with audio-visual presentations and displays of many items of local interest.

Picnic area with refreshments and drinks on sale.

Please use free parking on Oborne Road opposite entrance to site.

Please take note of safety notices around the site. Hot and heavy machinery running.

On-site toilet accessed via multiple steps and handrail.

Partial Wheelchair access**Assistance Dogs Welcome****Pushchair pram friendly****Cameras Welcome****Accompanied Children welcome**

Not normally open to the public except on occasional Open Days. For dates see website.



All events marked
with this symbol
must be pre-booked.

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46 Shire Hall Museum

Open Day

**Sunday 10th, 10am to 4pm
(last entry 3pm)**

*Shire Hall Museum, High West Street,
Dorchester, DT1 1UY*

www.shirehalldorset.org

Visit the historic courtroom for free. During its time as Dorset's courthouse, Shire Hall saw everything from the 1834 trial of the Tolpuddle Martyrs to the 1856 trial of Martha Brown, who it is said inspired Hardy to write *Tess of the D'Urbervilles*, as well as child perpetrators and American GIs tried during the Second World War.

Please note:- During busy times, there may be a short wait to access the courtroom.

Full wheelchair access

Accessible toilets onsite

Assistance dogs only

Pushchair / pram friendly

No parking onsite

Cameras Welcome

Accompanied Children

47 Skinner Street United Reformed Church, Poole

Open Day

**Saturday 9th, 10.30am to 4pm
and Thursday 14th, 11am to 4pm**

*Skinner Street Church, 5 Skinner Street,
Poole BH15 1RQ*

www.skinnerstreet.com

Skinner Street United Reformed Church was built as a Congregational Church in 1777. We joined with the Presbyterians in 1972 to form the United Reformed Church. It is a large 'chapel' for a non-conformist congregation and the oldest church building in Poole. It has a 'raked' floor, gallery and working organ.

We are a small congregation so can only open this historic church, apart from Sunday Worship, on occasions like this week but are happy to open for visitors if contacted at other times.

We do hold events for the local community.

Accessible toilets onsite

Assistance dogs welcome

Pushchair / pram friendly

Disabled parking onsite

Parking onsite is limited

Camera Welcome

Dogs Welcome

Accompanied Children

Not normally open to public



48 St. Andrew's Church Kinson

Open Day

**Monday 11th and Thursday 14th,
10am to 3pm**

*Millhams Road, Kinson, Bournemouth,
BH10 7LN*

www.standrewskinson.org

Come and visit the oldest Church in Bournemouth. Late Norman tower, 13th century chancel, nave and aisles rebuilt 1894-95 by W.H. Romaine-Walker. Inside there are a number of historic artefacts, including a 13th century font, Hanoverian royal arms on canvas, old prayer boards, beautiful stained-glass windows, a WWI memorial plaque and WW2 memorial bound book. An external chiming clock installed in memory of Queen Victoria in 1904 with an winding mechanism on view in the tower.

Full wheelchair access

Accessible toilets onsite

Assistance dogs welcome

Pushchair / pram friendly

Cameras Welcome

Dogs Welcome

Normally open to the public

49 St James Church

Guided Tour

Saturday 16th, 11.30am and 13.30pm

Meet at church porch facing Thames Street, Poole, BH12 1JN

The present church of St James in Poole's old town was built on the site of a medieval church pulled down in 1819. It houses many fascinating survivals from Poole's rich history.

Please use public car parks.

No on-site parking

No dogs

50 St Michael and All Angels Church, Colehill - A Carøe Arts and Crafts Gem

New Event

Saturday 9th, 10am to 12pm

Monday 11th, Friday 15th

and Sunday 17th, 2pm to 4pm

Wednesday 13th, 11.30am to 4pm

St Michael and All Angels Church, Colehill Lane, Colehill, Wimborne, Dorset, BH21 7AB

www.stmichaels-church-colehill.co.uk

An opportunity to see a unique Dorset Arts and Crafts period Church with a Scandinavian twist.

St Michael's Church was designed by W D Carøe, an eminent Arts and Crafts ecclesiastical architect. It has many fascinating architectural features and some unusual art and sculpture. You will be made most welcome and can see an exhibition of other examples of the architect's work. There will be a chance to look round our environmentally friendly grounds and enjoy some refreshments.

If you visit on Saturday then we are running our regular Coffee Morning in the Church Centre (next-door) from 10am to 12pm. If you visit on Wednesday there is a Communion Service at 10.30am at which you would be welcome and, our church serves Morning Coffee and light lunches in the Church Centre from 10.30am to 1.30pm (Lunches from 12 noon)

On site car park in front of Church Centre.

If full park on road.

Wheelchair access to Centre and Church nave.

Only open to the public for limited periods.

Partial wheelchair access

Accessible toilets onsite

Assistance dogs welcome

Pushchair / pram friendly

Disabled parking onsite

Cameras Welcome

Dogs welcome in Church only unless

assistance dogs



**51 Sturminster Newton Heritage Trust,
Museum and Mill**

Open Day

Friday 15th, 11am to 5pm

Close by the A357 Blandford to Sherborne Road. Approximately quarter of a mile west of Town Bridge.

Recently discovered evidence suggests this mill largely dates from 1566, on a more ancient milling site which could date back to 1016.

Powered by a 100 year old turbine the machinery will be running and a supervisor will be in attendance to give extra information. There are picnic tables and a mill shop.

No dogs allowed

Parking is available onsite

Accompanied Children Welcome

Cameras welcome

Disabled access to ground floor only.

Unsuitable for Coeliac and Asthma sufferers because of the flour dust



T

52 The Boathouse 

**Wednesday 13th, 10am, 12pm, 2pm
and 4pm. Thursday, 14th, 10am, 12pm,
2pm and 4pm**

Location details will be shown on ticket

Built in 1936 to accommodate the Second-Class drawing room and officers' cabins from the great Cunard liner RMS Mauretania launched 1907. She was the fastest ship afloat for nearly twenty-two years. During WW1 she was painted in dazzle camouflage and served as a troop and hospital ship. Taken out of service in 1934 she was berthed at Southampton docks and her beautiful interior fittings sold at auction. During WW2 the Boathouse was part of the Coastal Defences Zone.

No Disabled Access

No Parking

No cameras

Children welcome

Not normally open to the public

**53 The History of Wimborne
Model Town** 

Wednesday 13th, 2pm and 3pm

Location details will be shown on ticket

www.wimborne-modeltown.com

A presentation of the 70 year history of Wimborne Model Town, from the reasons for its inception, early development, forced closure, move and rebirth at its new site. The presentation will last about 30 minutes and participants are welcome to explore the site afterwards. Donations welcome.

Full wheelchair access

Accessible toilets onsite

Assistance dogs welcome

No onsite parking public parking opposite

in King Street car park

Pushchair/Pram Friendly

No Dogs

Accompanied Children Welcome

Normally open to the public

54 The Houseboat 

Wednesday 13th, 10am, 12pm, 2pm and 4pm. Thursday 14th, 10am, 12pm, 2pm and 4pm

www.thehouseboat-poole.co.uk

Location details will be shown on ticket

This project was a challenge to create a new house on the same site as our 1930's listed Boathouse (please see event 52).



This house was built by developer Solidspace with Mole Architects and much collaboration work with the Owner/Architect.

The design developed from an idea of two upturned boat hulls sitting on a sea wall to a curved butterfly plan with boat hull sections.

Locally crafted with Douglas Fir timber and concrete with special finishes, which all combine to create a unique, dramatic and contemporary home.

Shoes to be removed on entry.

No Disabled Access

No Parking

Cameras Welcome

Dogs Welcome

Accompanied Children Welcome

55 The Keep Military Museum

Open Day

Sunday 10th, 10am to 4.30pm

The Keep Military Museum, Barrack Road, Dorchester, DT1 1RN

www.keepmilitarymuseum.org

Come along to The Keep Military Museum, once the gatehouse for the Depot Barracks of the

Dorsetshire Regiment, and now a regimental museum which is a fascinating piece of Victorian architecture.

Built in 1879 in the style of a Norman castle, the building has many of the original features from its time as a working barracks, including military cells, an original lift, and breath-taking views across Dorchester from our roof top terrace.

We have a small free carpark to the rear of the building. If this is full, there is a large carpark across the road - The Top O Town carpark

Partial wheelchair access

Accessible toilets onsite

Assistance dogs welcome

Pushchair / pram friendly

Disabled parking onsite

Cameras Welcome

No Dogs

Accompanied Children Welcome

56 Tour of The Regent, Christchurch 

Saturday 9th, 12 noon and 3pm

Location details will be shown on ticket

<https://theregent.co.uk/event/71075>

Smell the greasepaint, tread the boards and lap up the limelight when you join one of the Regent Centre's exclusive tours. This is your chance to explore parts of the Regent that are normally off-limits to the General Public, including the Projection Box, the Dressing Rooms, the Lighting and Sound Booths and behind the scenes in the backstage area.

There will be a chance to ask questions about the Regent, its history, future plans and about its place at the heart of entertainment in Christchurch.

NB. Tours include a lot of stairs.

No Disabled Access

Parking in Wick Lane Car Park located at the rear of the building.

Cameras Welcome

No Dogs

Accompanied Children Welcome

57 Tudor House

Open Days

Saturday 16th, 11am to 3pm

Sunday 17th, 11am to 3pm

*Tudor House, Trinity Street, Weymouth,
DT4 9ES. Just off the Old Harbour*

www.weymouthcivicsociety.org

Come and visit Tudor House one of the UK's best preserved 17th Century buildings. Visitors can explore the house and receive a guided tour from our volunteer guides.

Disabled access to ground floor only

No onsite parking, parking available near-by

Cameras Welcome

Accompanied Children Welcome

58 Tivoli Theatre

Talk

Friday 8th, 11am

Location details will be shown on ticket

www.tivoliwimborne.co.uk

Originally built as a combination Cine/ Theatre in 1936, the Tivoli Theatre in Wimborne was rescued from demolition and restored to its former glory by a team of volunteers.

Come and join the theatre Manager Charlie North-Lewis to hear the journey of this iconic theatre in the heart of historic Wimborne Minster

Full wheelchair access

Please use public car parks

Assistance dogs only

No Cameras

No Children



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59 Walford Mill - a brief look at a long history

Talk and Tour

Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th, 11am

Location details will be shown on ticket

www.walfordmillcrafts.co.uk

Come and join us for an illustrated talk breezing through more than 200 years of the grade II listed mill's history including its origins, structure and subsequent uses before conversion to the craft centre that exists today. We'll then have time for a short tour around the building inside (mind your head) and out, weather permitting.

The illustrated talk will be seated in our Education Room, the building tour involves low ceiling beams and wooden staircases. There is wheelchair access to the lower gallery, Education Room and mezzanine floor area. Upper floors are only accessible by stairs. Lunch or refreshments will be available at Little Pickle at the Mill, just across the courtyard.

Partial Wheelchair Access

Assistance Dogs only

Cameras Welcome

No Children

60 Weld Memorial Chapel

Open Days

Friday 8th, Saturday 9th, Sunday 10th, Friday 15th, Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th, 2pm to 4pm

*North Road, Chideock, Bridport DT6 5LW.
Turn into North Road by the Parish Church and the Chapel is just beyond on the right.*

Limited parking available on site. Some parking in lane, otherwise use shop carpark in centre of village.

www.chideockmartyschurch.org.uk

This stunning Grade II* Memorial, or Mortuary, Chapel was built by Charles Weld of Chideock Manor in 1852, in memory of his parents. It is built in a cruciform style and surrounded by a graveyard. Inside the wall paintings show rich artistic details of saints and bible scenes and are of considerable quality, showing ideas that led to the Arts and Crafts Movement. It is a rare example of a complete mid-19th century Mortuary Chapel. Donations for upkeep are very welcome.

No Disabled Access
Cameras Welcome
Dogs welcome
Accompanied Children Welcome
Not normally open to the public

61 West Bay Discovery Centre Uncovered
Open day

Sunday 17th, 11am to 3.30pm

West Bay Discovery Centre, The Chapel on the Beach, West Bay, DT6 4EN

www.westbaydiscoverycentre.org.uk

This year marks five years, since the former Methodist Chapel at West Bay was restored and sympathetically repurposed to be a visitor centre. In that time, it has welcomed over 75,000 visitors. For one day we are allowing access to the small mezzanine level normally office and kitchen space. From here you can appreciate the interior of the building and through the windows enjoy the views of the beach and harbour. We will have a large screen slide show of the restoration project.

NB. Access to mezzanine level is by stairs only.

Partial wheelchair access
Assistance dogs welcome
Pushchair / pram friendly
Parking is in adjacent public car parks - fee payable
Cameras Welcome
Dogs Welcome
Accompanied Children Welcome
Normally open to the public

62 Wimborne Guided Walk 

Tuesday 12th, 2.30pm

Location details will be shown on ticket

www.wimbornecivicsociety.org.uk

A walk round Wimborne, to include most of the buildings worth looking at in the centre of this historic and attractive town, with plenty of architectural detail and including Wimborne Civic Society's Gazebo off West Borough.

People taking part need to be fit enough to walk for a period of time which will involve lots standing to appreciate and understand the beauty of the town.

No Disabled Access
Cameras Welcome
No Dogs
Accompanied Children Welcome

63 Wimborne Minster Bell Tower 

Guided Visit

Monday 11th, 2pm and 3pm

Location details will be shown on ticket

www.wimborneminsterbellringers.wordpress.com

A rare opportunity to visit the Bell Tower of Wimborne Minster which was built in 1464. Sit in the ringing Chamber and watch the ringers in action. Discover the history of the bells and hear about ringing for special events such as the Coronation. Participants need to be able to climb the 72 uneven spiral stone steps to the Ringing Chamber.

No Disabled Access
Please use public car parks. King Street is the nearest
Cameras Welcome
No dogs
Accompanied Children over 7 years



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East Dorset Heritage Trust

We are a small educational charity celebrating more than 30 years as part of the Wimborne community.

Our home is Allendale House – it's the place to learn something new or brush up on old skills.

Take a course to improve your Italian, French or Spanish conversation or maybe improve your writing skills; learn about famous artists or archaeology, computing, iPads or even phones. We also have pottery courses, floristry, lots of craft workshops, life drawing and art courses too...

There is something for everyone! There are heritage events throughout the whole year, with guided walks, coach trips, talks or visits to interesting and unusual places.

The house itself is a beautiful historic building with elegant rooms for hire which are light and airy - the perfect place for training or meetings.

**Call in and we will be happy to help.
We are open Monday to Friday
9.00am to 5.00pm.**



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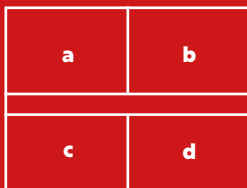
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