



A King Canute, Saxon  
Coin, struck at the  
Cricklade Mint – now  
part of Copenhagen's  
Royal Collection.

# CRICKLADE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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## NEWS-LETTER AUTUMN 2017

### Forthcoming Events

Unless otherwise stated all Talks are held at the Town Hall Annex; doors open at 7.00pm, Refreshments served at 7.15 and the talk will start at 7.30pm

18<sup>th</sup> October Salisbury Cathedral speaker  
Chris Rogers

NB speaker from March 2017 put into  
November

22<sup>nd</sup> November – The Roman Invasion with  
local context. Speaker Bill King

9<sup>th</sup> December Last day of opening at  
Museum for 2017

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> December – museum cleaning  
prior to reopening the following weekend.  
Please come and burn off some of the festive  
food you will have eaten!

### 2018

6th January Museum re-opens

### Archive Audit

Archive Audit usually takes place on the 1<sup>st</sup>  
Tuesday of the month, however, the next date is  
the 14<sup>th</sup> November (out of sequence because I  
have an appointment on the 7<sup>th</sup>)  
Then back to the 5<sup>th</sup> December.  
I apologise for any inconvenience.

### 2018 dates are:-

January 2<sup>nd</sup>

February 6<sup>th</sup>

March 6<sup>th</sup>

April 3<sup>rd</sup>

May 1<sup>st</sup>

June 5<sup>th</sup>

July 3<sup>rd</sup>

August 7<sup>th</sup>

September 4<sup>th</sup>

October 2<sup>nd</sup>

November 6<sup>th</sup>

December 4<sup>th</sup>

If you are interested in getting hands on with the archive, please do come and join us: there will always be a need to continuously review the archive, checking the item location against our database and working out how we can make the items more accessible to both the members and visitors. Any member can join this team, training will be given or you can just call in and see what we are doing

### Accessions in the Museum

We have recently taken delivery of a drain cover from Culverhay! It has been painted black and the writing has been highlighted. It is on display in the Vestry. Our first artefact from Culverhay.

Please would you have a look in your photograph collections and see if you have any of the building of Culverhay or the Four Spires developments or any other estate built since the 1950's? We took photographs of Culverhay last year prior to the re- building work starting but this is an ongoing story and places are constantly changing.

### Administrative tasks update

### Unknown people photographs

If you have not already done so, please take a look at our Unknown people photographs. We have put all the unknown people images online now. If you did look and give me the details and the image is still there that is probably because I haven't got around to updating it!  
: [www.cricklademuseum.co.uk](http://www.cricklademuseum.co.uk)

Please let me know if you recognise anybody so I can update the details on the original photograph.

Over the last few months we have started auditing all the photographs. We have also been restructuring the physical archive so that specific groups of photographs are easier to search. For example, we have divided the High Street photographs into High Street North and High

Street South and also separated out the Jubilee Clock and the Pubs.

We are in the process of splitting Recreation into **Sports** – Cricket & Football etc and **General Recreation**. – Leisure Centre; Band & etc. and many other large groups of photographs into more manageable divisions so people don't have to trawl through too many photographs to find their area of interest.

Please note that we have also created an index for each of the sections about Maps; the Coins Grandad's Shed and The High Street photographs

The Maps index now has all the details of the places on the map, places of interest and names of all the Farms.

As we refine various areas we will be creating new indices to assist Volunteers in answering questions when they are on duty.

### **Dig on the Purton Road - update**

For those of you who have read the 2017 Bulletin to the end, you will know that I included information and photographs about the dig in the new development site on the Purton Road.

I am still waiting to hear if we are going to be able to have the artefacts Wessex Archaeology found during the dig in the Cricklade Museum. Hopefully, other people who walked the area and took items away with them will donate them to the Cricklade Museum so they are available for all to see.

I am already negotiating to get a new cabinet for all the items I hope we will one day receive.

### **Pam Debenham October 2017**