

'It's about time'



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Happy New Year! This term we look forward to preparing a resource pack, in partnership with Norfolk Heritage Centre, to link in with the QCA History Study Units 11 (Snapshot 1900) and 12 (Industrial Change) for Year 8. It will be available for the start of next term. If you'd like to comment on it in draft form, later this term, we'd be delighted to hear from you. In the meantime, read on for an update on current developments and resources already available from the Norfolk Record Office (NRO).

Making Paper

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Moving Forward

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The Festival of Britain 1951

Last term, a small group of students from Paston College visited the NRO to

learn more about The Festival of Britain as experienced by people in Norfolk. In order to gauge the festival spirit, the group studied a range of primary and secondary source material. This included the City of Norwich Plan 1945 (for post-war development); The Book of The Norwich Festival 1951; and a booklet about an 'experiment in civic design' - a project of the late 1950s to improve Magdalen Street in Norwich. An album of newspaper cuttings about the floods of 1953 provided a helpful reminder of less positive experiences at this time. If you're not sure whether the NRO could enhance your syllabus, please don't hesitate to ask!



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**In the spotlight**

Last term, *It's about time* included a photograph of pupils at Marsham Primary School making excellent use of their Local History Pack. If you would like to publicise your good practice in using any of our resources, please get in touch.

Diss Coronation Celebration

THURSDAY, June 26th, 1902.

PROGRAMME OF

ATHLETIC SPORTS

FOR RESIDENTS IN DISS ONLY.

ON THE PARK FIELDS, DISS.

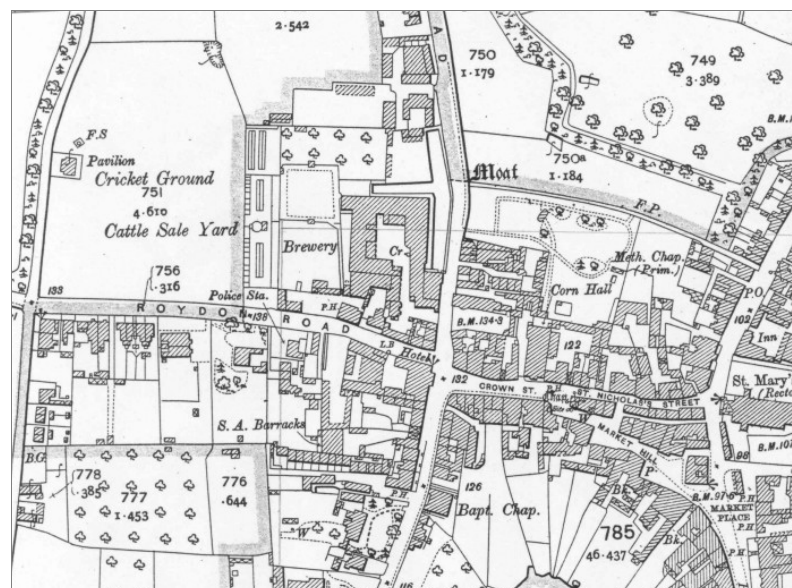
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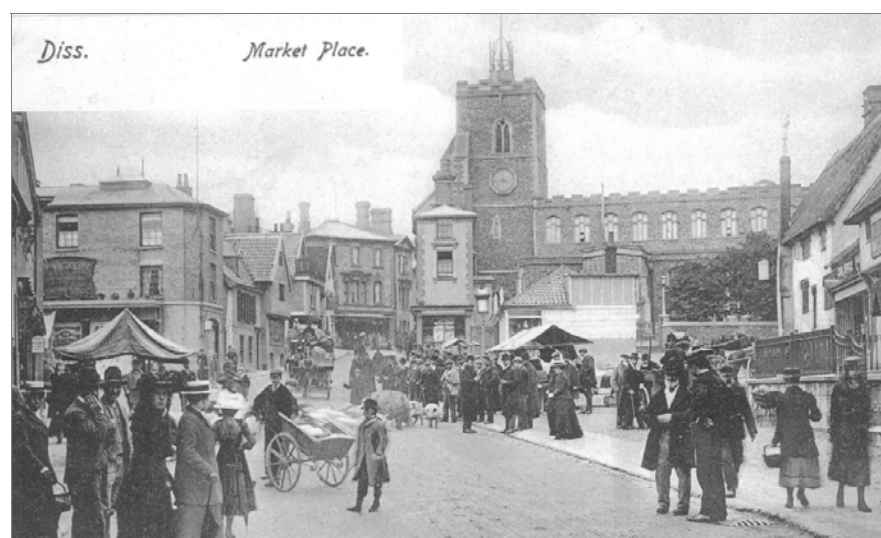
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2. 100 Yards Hurdle Race, Six Flights	10 0	5 0	2 6
3. 100 Yards Three-Legged Race	6 0	4 0	2 0
4. Slow Bicycle Race	7 6		
5. 100 Yards Flat Race, for Men over 18 years	8 0	4 0	2 0
6. 50 Yards Egg and Spoon Race, for Women	7 6	5 0	2 6
7. 100 Yards Barrel Race	5 0	3 0	
8. 50 Yards Sack Race, for Men	7 6	5 0	2 6
9. Tipping Rings on Bicycles, One Lap	7 6	5 0	2 6
10. Half-Mile Flat Race	10 6	5 0	2 6
11. 25 Yards Pottery Race, 10 Points for Women	7 6	5 0	2 6
12. 50 Yards Egg and Spoon Race, for Men	7 6	5 0	2 6
13. 100 Yards Jockey Race, for Men over 16	7 6	5 0	2 6
14. Sack Tournament, for Boys under 15	5 0	2 6	
15. Bicycle Winding Race	10 0	5 0	2 6
16. 100 yards Flat race, for Men over 30	7 6	5 0	2 6
17. Donkey race, Two Laps	10 0	3 0	

No Competitor to take more than One First and Two Second Prizes.
ENTRIES to be made on the Ground. No Entrance Fees.



A programme of athletic sports in celebration of the coronation, 1902
[NRO Ref. MS 17631, 38D7]

An Ordnance Survey Map, 1905
[Norfolk Heritage Centre]

**Diss**

These documents are typical of those selected for Local History Packs. Here we have focused on early twentieth-century Diss. We especially liked the pigs in the market place! How is Diss the same / different today?

A photograph of the market place, c.1910
[Norfolk Heritage Centre]



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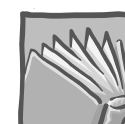
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Happy New Year! We're delighted to offer you our latest resource pack which covers 'The Tudors' in Norfolk. We feel that it's our best yet and, as ever, we're indebted to those of you who have advised us along the way. Last term, the number of requests for Local History Packs was much more manageable. Thank you for your phone calls of appreciation. This term, we invite all schools in West or South Norfolk to place their orders. Please see overleaf for a reminder of what your pack might include and of other resources available from the Norfolk Record Office (NRO).

**The Tudors**

This pack sheds light on Tudor Norfolk, especially on the differences between the lives of rich and poor people. It contains a selection of reproduced documents, in colour and laminated, with accompanying notes for teachers. All written sources are provided in transcript and some are also presented in their original hand. And just why was it necessary to carry a small white wand before you on the streets of Norwich in the days before Harry Potter? All is revealed in the pack!

**Bumper Issue**

It's about time is bigger this issue. We need to tell you more than a double-sided sheet of A4 would allow. BUT we are conscious of your pleas from the outset for minimal paper, so we'll try not to make a habit of this!



Photograph of Almshouses alongside St Augustine's Church, Norwich, which is included in *The Tudors* pack.



Local History Packs

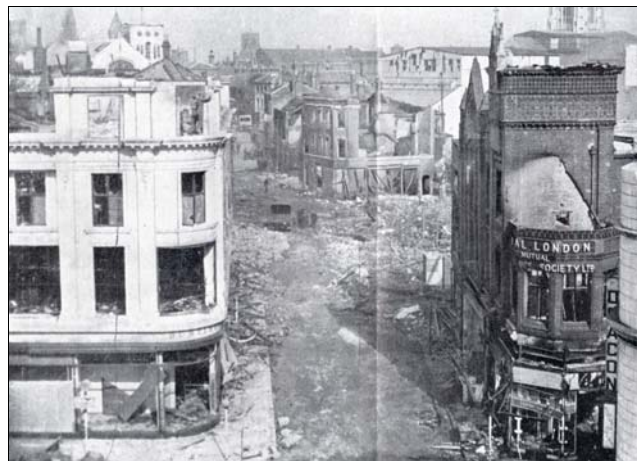


Local History Packs are produced in partnership with the Norfolk Heritage Centre and contain approximately sixteen reproduced documents which reflect the history of a school's local area (circa 1840s - 1940s). They include any or all of the following (depending on availability) in part or in whole: trade directories, maps, census returns, parish register burial entries, school log books, sales particulars, probate inventories and photographs. It's intended that they serve as a springboard from which pupils can learn about their immediate environment. They link in particularly well with the QCA Study Units 12, 'How did life change in our locality in Victorian times?' and 18, 'What was it like to live here in the past?'

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- 'Local History Pack' (for schools in South or West Norfolk only)
- 'Toys' (Key Stage 1)
- 'Seaside Holidays' (Key Stage 1)
- 'The Tudors' (Key Stage 2)
- 'The Second World War' (Key Stage 2)



This photograph of Rampant Horse Street in Norwich, taken during The Blitz, is amongst the documents selected for 'The Second World War' pack.

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Coming next:

As agreed with members of the schools' working group last term, a resource pack on the QCA Study Unit 'Homes' will be ready for the start of next term.



The story so far ...

Since you received the first issue of *It's about time*, in Spring 2002, almost one third of primary schools have requested resource packs from the NRO. More than half of these schools have requested more than one pack and more than 200 packs have been requested overall. We're most encouraged by these figures!

Moving Forward

We're on the move!
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