



**Kineton and District
Local History Group**

SUMMER OUTINGS 2022

COMING SOON!

Ilmington Village walk.

Friday June 17th 6.30pm £5.00.

Book in advance (preferred) or on the day

Local archaeologist and historian Brian Brock will guide us around historic Ilmington, an unspoilt Cotswold village with Roman, Saxon and medieval heritage.



The layout of the present streets follows the medieval plan, with a main street – Middle Street - with house plots extending on both sides to back streets - Back End (now Front Street) and Back Street. Lots to see!



Meet at The Red Lion in Front Street, Ilmington, Post code CV36 4PM at **6.30pm**

Pittern Hill, Kineton, Bridleway and Footpaths

Friday 15 July 6.30pm. £5.00

Book in advance (preferred) or on the day

Our long term member and previous Chairman, Brian Lewis, spent two decades campaigning to re-establish the historic bridleway on Pittern Hill above Kineton. It was eventually added to the Definitive Map of footpaths by the Highways Authority in 2019. The route gives great views of the village and the wider landscape as well as encompassing many historic features researched and described by Brian in an informative leaflet.

The route passes the site of a Roman villa, which is grand enough to compare with the recently discovered Broughton Estate villa. Other features include evidence of medieval farming, a 19th century “model” farm, an Edwardian Arts



*Ventilator for water reservoir.
Photo: Brian Lewis*



Pittern Hill House

and Crafts house, evidence of Kineton’s early water supply systems, as well as the sites of wind and water mills, and the railway.

Meet at the entrance to Alchemy at the bottom of Pittern Hill, **6.30pm**

NB The route involves some steep places.

Chipping Norton Guided Tour

Friday 12th August 2.30pm. £10.00

Book in advance (preferred) or on the day

We will be shown round the historic town of Chipping Norton by Sean Callery, a Blue Badge Guide. The town was a centre for the medieval

Cotswold wool trade. The magnificent church of St Mary the Virgin is a result of the prosperity that wool brought to the town



Also of note are the Almshouses, the Guild Hall and the



neoclassical Town Hall. Just outside the town is Bliss Tweed Mill, with its distinctive domed chimney-base, a landmark for miles around.

Hear tales of the town that walked up the hill, a policeman saved by a thin skull, how trees cure headaches, and see where a vicar lost out to a king and the sites of an alarming number of riots! .

Meet at New Street Car Park (free), in Hill Lawn Ct, OX7 5NF opposite the entrance to Sainsbury’s car park. **NB meeting time 2.30pm**