

The Hadleigh Society was formed in 1982 by local people to encourage an interest in the history, environment and future of our town. The following are extracts from our constitution, which is based on a model by the Civic Trust.

The Society is established for the public benefit

- To stimulate public interest in the area of benefit
- To promote high standards of planning and architecture
- To secure the preservation protection development and improvement of features of historic or public interest
- To promote research into subjects directly connected with the objects of the Society
- To act as a co-ordinating body and to co-operate with the local authorities, planning committees
- To publish papers, reports and other literature
- To hold meetings, lectures and exhibitions
- To educate public opinion and to give advice and information

Membership shall be open to all who are interested in actively furthering the purposes of the Society.

A neat and tolerably well-built market town, in the Cosford Hundred, on the Eastern Counties branch line from Bentley. It is 10¹/₂ miles from Ipswich by road, 12¹/₂ by rail, and 64 from London from the Great Eastern Terminus Liverpool Street. Ipswich is the post town.

Hadleigh consists principally of one wide and picturesque street and was formerly a town of great importance in the woollen manufacture and large quantities of yarn used to be spun here. The grain trade is carried on largely at the present time, and the corn market, held at the Corn Exchange is generally well attended.

There is a large manufactory for cocoa matting and mats etc., employing a large number of hands, also two iron foundries.

From a 19th Century directory

THE HADLEIGH SOCIETY

2010

*Registered with The
Civic Trust as an
Amenity Society*

The Society holds 5 or 6 meetings a year with speakers, usually on subjects of environmental or historic interest, and an Annual General Meeting.

Visits are arranged to places of interest, and to neighbouring amenity societies.

Members are kept in touch by a free newsletter published about five times a year. We also publish the Society's activities on the Internet.

<http://www.hadsoc.org.uk/>

There are specialised groups that interested members may join.

The History Group meets to explore the past of our town. They have looked at the history of individual houses, made a study of life in Hadleigh in the 1840s, 1871 and 1881, publishing a booklet on the latter. They have studied the history of the Town's charities and are currently researching the life of the town in the 1830's.

Members meet to discuss matters affecting our environment and monitor planning applications on behalf of the Society.

Close links are maintained with other societies including the Suffolk Preservation Society and the Civic Trust, with which the Society is registered.

For further information please contact the Honorary Secretary, (01473) 827498,
Email: secretary@hadsoc.org.uk

THE HADLEIGH SOCIETY Programme

Meetings are held in Hadleigh Town Hall, 8pm. Entry is free for members, £3 for non-members.

Wed 18 Aug	The Deanery Tower	Roger Kennell
Mon 18 Oct	World War 2 Memories	Nina and Steve Sherwood
Wed 15 Dec	Crime and Punishment in 19th Century Hadleigh	Hadleigh Local Studies Workshop Group

Membership Application

Please tick box to indicate type of membership

Single member	£12	<input type="checkbox"/>
Joint members at same address	£20	<input type="checkbox"/>
Single life membership	£120	<input type="checkbox"/>
Joint life membership	£200	<input type="checkbox"/>
Concessions (Senior citizen)	£8	<input type="checkbox"/>
Joint Concessions	£12	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please note these prices are being reviewed this year and may change

Title

Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss... _____

Surname _____

First name(s) _____

Address _____

Post code _____

Email

if we may use this _____

Phone _____

Cross here if you DO NOT want these details to be held on our database

Please tear off and return to our membership secretary,

Margaret Woods

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or pay by bank transfer to: The Hadleigh Society

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