

Retailing, Fore Street, Heavitree

Since September 2008 the Society has been recording details of the occupiers in Fore Street. The following table shows changes during the last 12 months.

South Side

2010	2011
30 Akwaba Cb	Akwaba Cb
H'tree Tandori	Delhi Spice
32 Cobblers	C.W.Keys
34 Uber Barber	Uber Barber
36 Nail Creations	Nail Creations
38 Post Office	Post Office
40 Orient Fish Bar	Orient Fish Bar
42 Great Wall	Great Wall
44 Leymans	Leymans
46 Eddys	Eddys
48 The Bengal	The Bengal
The Heavitree	The Heavitree

Church Street

Ship & Pelican	Ship & Pelican
56 vacant	3Vit-D
58 Zealous Hair	Zealous Hair
60 Heavitree Radio	vacant
62 Heavitree Radio	vacant
64/66 City Vets	City Vets
68 Posh Paws	Posh Paws
70/72 Northcott	Northcott
Beaton	Beaton
74 Tax Asst. Co	Tax Asst. Co
76/78 Gun Shop	Gun Shop
82/84 Salon Plus	Cutting Edge
88 Quo Vadis	Quo Vadis

Sivell Place

90 Devon Air Amb.	Devon Air Amb.92
Superwash	Superwash
98 Anna Maries	Anna Maries
100 Brocks	Brocks

North Side

2010	2011
43 Coral	Coral
45/47 Fulfords	Fulfords
49 Light of India	Light of India

North Street

51 Blockbusters	Blockbusters
55 NatWest Bank	NatWest Bank
59 Lloyds Pharm,	Lloyds Pharmacy
61 Heavitree Radio	H'tree Radio
63 Co-Operative	Co-operative
65 Lloyds Bank	Lloyds Bank
67 vacant	Cobblers
69 Blind Charity	Blind Charity
71 Shauls Bakery	Shauls Bakery

Regent Square

73/75 Force Charity	Force Charity
77 Body Style	Body Style

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The next meeting of the Society will be held on **Tuesday, 6th March**, commencing at **7:30 pm**. It will be held in the **Rifford Room**, which is entered at the east end of St Michael & All Angels Church, Church Street, Heavitree.

The speaker at this meeting is archaeologist **John Salvatori** who will give us the latest news on the Roman finds at St Loyes

Diary Dates

History Society Meetings

Tuesday, 6th March, 2012

Tuesday, 26th June, 2012

Wednesday, 5th September, 2012
(Annual General Meeting)

Devon Record Office

Open Day 17th March

Lost & Found

An umbrella was found at the end of the December meeting.

Contact Den Perrin if it is yours.

Holy Heavitree

At the December meeting Roger Thorne gave an interesting and often amusing talk on chapels and churches, in Heavitree, some of which only traces survive, and others are now used for other purposes.

At the rear of Shaul House in Alpha Street was the Brethren Gospel Hall which then became a Wesleyan chapel.

The Burnthouse Lane estate had a number of chapels. St Pauls has been rebuilt with a new block of flats and a smaller chapel. At one time there was a Salvation Army chapel at the corner of Chestnut Avenue.

The Exeter City Mission hall was built in 1939 on land now occupied by Wynstream School and a Brethren Gospel Hall was built on the 'Lidl site.

Mowbray Cottage, which is the attractive house opposite Meyer Court in Butts Road, was originally a Congregational chapel and then used by the Weslyans.

For a period after the 1942 bombing raids Eagle House in Salutory Mount was used for Brethren services.

Hope Hall in Hope Road was built by the Baptists in 1905 and is now an artist's studio. In 1931 the Baptists moved to a new chapel in Wonford Street.

At one time, on the junction of Lethbridge Road and Rifford Road, stood St Loyes Church.

Margaret Wannell

Forgotten Poetry

One of the graves in the Higher Cemetery is that of **Charles John Arnell**, described 'as a poet', who died on 20th July 1938 aged 88.

My earlier research led me to believe that he lived at 65 Exeter Road, Exmouth, but I have recently discovered that he was a bit of a 'rolling stone' and lived at various addresses in the South West, including Broadclyst. But at the time of his death he lived at 18 Church Terrace, Heavitree. So we have a small claim on him and it explains why he was buried in Exeter.

He was the editor and sole proprietor of the 'Decachord', a poetry magazine, and he reviewed poetry for the Western Morning News for a number of years. He was born in Carisbrooke on the Isle of Wight, and he was always intensely proud of his birthplace

as the following verse evinces:-

Isle of beauty, hail to thee!
Empress of the Southern sea;
Solent Queen! thy crown of
charms
Fortune lend protecting arms;
Home of my nativity,
Isle of beauty, hail to thee!

In partnership with his brother he ran a flour mill at Newport until 1886. He retired in 1905, living first in East Sheen and moving to Devon in 1919. He wrote two slim volumes of poetry - 'Random Rhymes of a Vectensian' in 1914, and 'On Divers Strings', in 1927.

He also edited an anthology of West Country Poets.

In the wider world he wrote the lyrics of a popular song performed by Peter Dawson entitled 'Helen'.

Frank Potter