

2026 Local History Programme

13 JANUARY:

Woolies v M&S: women's football in the 1930s in Staines Pat Talbot

10 FEBRUARY:

A visit to the new Spelthorne Museum in Staines. Curator Nick Pollard will be our guide

10 MARCH:

"Take the 459 Bus to Whiteley Village." A linked history of William Whiteley, Whiteley's department store in Bayswater and the legacy that created a village on the edge of Walton.

14 APRIL:

Queen Mary Reservoir, a centenary history: Nick Pollard, Curator Spelthorne Museum

(Tuesday 28 APRIL A second visit to Spelthorne Museum. Our guide will be Nick Pollard. If you wish to attend, meet on the ground floor of Spelthorne Library for 2 pm start)

12 MAY:

Who was Apsley Pellott? Brand new research by Mike Taylor, a Volunteer at Spelthorne Museum Archive, on a Victorian borough resident and celebrated glassmaker.

9 JUNE:

'The coming of the Railways': How Staines acquired not one but three railway stations. Joan Gardam

14 JULY:

'Middlesex Again': The re-appearance of Middlesex on the map? Pat Talbot

No Meeting in AUGUST

8 SEPTEMBER:

'Down Memory Lane on the Streets of Spelthorne': Thames Street, Staines. Pat Talbot

13 OCTOBER:

'From Manor House to Medicine': The History of St Peter's Hospital. Emma Warren, Curator of Chertsey Museum

10 NOVEMBER: 'Down Memory Lane on the Streets of Spelthorne: The Hythe & The Causeway, on the Staines/ Egham border. Pat Talbot

8 DECEMBER:

'A Thousand Years of History in Spelthorne': Nick Pollard, Curator Spelthorne Museum

All talks will be at the Methodist Church in Staines at 2.30