ABINGTON HISTORY SOCIETY

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The Group, founded in 2000, exists to research the history of the villages of Great and Little Abington, and to share their findings with those who are interested.

A database of Parish and Census records has been built up together with a large collection of images, mainly photographs both old and recent. References to land and people from other historical sources are also logged on to a database. We hold copies of a collection of maps of the Villages dating back to 1603.

The Group has published Village History Trails for both Villages as well as an award-winning book entitled World War II Memories of Abington and Abington People. In addition we have worked on the Sale of the Abington Hall Estate, we conduct oral history interviews, and we research University and College archives seeking more information on early land ownership.

Our most recent completed project has been on the history of the Land Settlement Association in Abington, the culmination of which was an open day attended by many of those with personal experience of the LSA and the publication of a book entitled Memories of the Land Settlement in Abington 1936 to 1983.

Our current efforts are directed towards research into the Public Houses in our two Villages. We are also in the process of showing DVDs of 1980 Village Revues to audiences many of whom were in the original productions.

We are always keen to see and, if possible, scan pictures or documents relating to any aspect of Great and Little Abington.