

Lakenheath Heritage Group

Places

0001PL - Aerial View from Church Tower looking South mid 1920's before the Royal British Legion was built. The caravan behind the wall opposite the pond was the Fish and Chip shop.

0002PL - Anchor Lane looking down from where the Co-Op stands 2018.

0003PL - Avenue Road, Lakenheath

0004PL – Back Street

0005PL - Back Street Lakenheath 1950's

0006PL - Broom Road

0007PL – Camping Close showing the foot bridge over the old Lode river

0008PL - Cemetery Road

0009PL - Dumpling Bridge, Lakenheath

0010PL - Eriswell Road 1915

0011PL – Eriswell Road 1918

0012PL - Dust storm down the fen commonly known as " A Fen Blow"

0013PL – The car Park under construction to serve the Fish and Chip shop etc just behind the High Street in Wings Road.

0014PL - Half Moon Lane

0015PL - Hall Drive, Lakenheath looking south November 1969 as viewed from The Retreat

0016PL - High Street - Householders in the 1920s. Left from the back of the photo Howard, unknown, Hammond, Hammond, Hammond, Rolph, unknown, Bennet, Presley, Cash, Bailey, Horrocks. Note the Star Public House on the left.

0017PL - High Street Lakenheath 1910

0018PL - High Street Lakenheath picture coloured in

0019PL - High Street Lakenheath near The Bell with the Eastern Counties bus heading for Newmarket. Ernie Fincham being the driver for many years.

0020PL - High Street Lakenheath Note Hammonds Bread Cart

0021PL - High Street Lakenheath with the War Memorial 1960's

0022PL - High Street Lakenheath approx. early 1900's. The large House was Goward House on the right.

0023PL - High Street, Lakenheath 1950s showing the New Post Office

0024PL - High Street and Broom Road corner Lakenheath

0025PL - High Street, Lakenheath in winter looking South

0026PL - High Street, Lakenheath looking North

0027PL - High Street, Lakenheath looking North

0028PL - High Street with Wings Road to the left

0029PL - High Street, Lakenheath looking South old post office on the right

0030PL - High Street from Church Tower looking North

0031PL - High Street. Lakenheath

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0033PL - High Street. Lakenheath in the 1950's

0034PL - House removed Lakenheath High Street opposite the Peace Memorial Village Hall in 1994

0035PL - Lakenheath Heath High Street in 2008

0036PL - Lakenheath High Street, early 1930s

0037PL - Lakenheath High Street, 2000

0038PL - Lakenheath Pond

0039PL - Lakenheath Pond c1911

0040PL - Lakenheath Pond looking North c1912

0041PL - Lakenheath Pond 1930's

0042PL - Lakenheath the Open Country - The Warren

0043PL – Lakenheath approach to Maidscross Hill or The Warren

0044PL - Maids Cross Way

0045PL - Mill Pond

0046PL – Mill Pond looking towards Undley Road

0047PL - Mill Pond about 1947 with L to R Jean Shinkins, Edna Turrington and Nelle Shinkins who was a Phillips

0048PL - Mill Road, School side 1983 the central flint cottage and red brick house now demolished

0049PL - Mill Road, 1960's

0050PL - Mill Road, Lakenheath then known as Brandon Road.

0051PL - Necton Management site 1975 before development, now Covey Way Estate

0052PL - North Road looking towards Eriswell Road

0053PL - Plough Lane at the cross roads with Back Street, Lakenheath now known as Mill Road

0054PL - Pond Lakenheath 1865

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0060PL - Pond Lakenheath with Albert Coe with Teddy, Hannah Coleman (nee Watts) with ? Kenneth Coe and Freda Green (nee Watts) approx. 1934

0061PL - RAF Lakenheath entrance gates

0062PL - The first Wilton Bridge, a Suspension Bridge erected in 1829 replaced in 1899

0063PL – The second Wilton Bridge erected in 1899 replacing the previous Suspension Bridge

0064PL - Station Road, Lakenheath 1905

0065PL - Sunset near Peterhouse Farm Undley (This is not water but polythene strips over the carrot fields) 1980's

0066PL - The Green in front of the Cafe now the Chinese take away opposite the Village Hall

0067PL – The Pond

0068PL - The river Ouse Bank Burst Nr Lakenheath 1912

0069PL - War Memorial 1930's

0070PL - War Memorial 1923

0071PL – The Warren

0072PL - Water tower in Wingfield Road with Roy Harlow, Adrian Peachey and Dean Smith. A new reservoir for water was opened on Maids Cross Hill in 1965. The water tower on Wingfield Road was then dismantled. Before this, many homes in the vicinity were almost without water for much of the summer as pressure was so low. Indeed, many cottages in the village were still without an indoors supply of water and had to rely on a tap in the yard.

0073PL - Anchor Lane October 1976, Lakenheath (N.end - from High St.) - an ancient lane forming three sides of a square with the W side of the 'Street' as the fourth. May have been the site of a market in C13-14. Nos.11 & 13 are Tudor and may have been built by one John Langham, a well-off copyholder, who, among other items, bequeathed several horses and two boats. A manor pound was at the NW corner of the lane - a spot still called Pondyard. The 'Tea Rooms' shown were burned down after this photo was taken and although rebuilt the premises are no longer tea rooms.

0074PL - Wilton Bridge October 1976, Little Ouse river, Lakenheath - the first bridge at this spot, and the first on the river going upstream. It was built in c1829 when the Lakenheath-Methwold turnpike was cut. Prior to this there was a ferry about half a mile upstream - where there was later a beer house called the 'Ferry Boat' - a cottage long since become a private dwelling. (Even the 'right-of-way' footpath which once led past it has been diverted). The section of bridge shown is the rebuilding of 1899 in iron. This too has now been replaced by a concrete, double carriageway

structure opened in 1981. Prior to the construction of the first bridge, that at Brandon was the only bridge below Thetford.

0075PL - Crosswater Staunch October 1976 on the Little Ouse river - all that remains of the 8th and last staunch downstream from Thetford. These 'flash locks' (of which there were only 32 in England), consisted of a single oaken door raised by chains on an axle turned by a large tread wheel. An Act for making the river navigable was passed in 1669 but it was well after this before any work was undertaken. Gangs of horse or steam-tug drawn lighters used the navigation until just before WW.II. It was used for some time after this by diesel driven barges and now by the occasional pleasure craft. The head of navigation, formerly Thetford, is now Brandon (where there is now a lock). There are no staunches left on the river.

0076PL - Lakenheath Station October 1976 - opened in 1845 when the Northern and Eastern Railway was extended from Cambridge to Brandon across the fens. The line from Norwich to Brandon was already open. The station was originally called 'The Hiss' (Hiss Farm is nearby). When opened it had a waiting room with a fire, a goods yard and nearby was a public house (The 'Swan') and it was a busy place. The journey to London then took 3hrs.44mins. and cost 6/10d. (39p). It now takes 2 hrs. approx. upwards but it is only a request stop at weekends at what is now an unmanned halt. The station is nearly 3 miles from the village.

0077PL - Apple Orchard October 1976 - formerly on the road between Lakenheath and Shippea Hill - was part of the former Chivers estate. Picking the crop gave some employment to women and young people in the village. It has now been grubbed out as uneconomic.

0078PL - Camping Close bridge

0079PL - Lakenheath High Street from Hall Drive 1950

0080PL – Wortley's Dairy once George Lummis Butchers shop, which then passed to his son before being taken over by The Vines before Peter Vine moved to new premises in the High Street.

0081PL - Lakenheath High Street, 1970s

0082PL - Lakenheath pond 1920's

0083PL - Lakenheath Station and Gate

0084PL - Mill Pond, Undley Road 4-1-1983

0085PL - Wings Road

0086PL - High Street looking South from Hall Drive, 1908

0087PL - Looking down Broom Road, Lakenheath

0088PL - Looking up Broom Road early c20th

0089PL - Looking down Broom Road, Lakenheath

0090PL - Formation of Avenue Road, Lakenheath in 1939

0091PL - Eriswell Road, Lakenheath in 1910

0092PL - Flatt's rearing ground now Wingfield Avenue

0093PL - Flatt's field now Wingfield Avenue c 1935

0094PL - Street farm, High Street, Lakenheath situated where Palmer Drive is today.

0095PL - The Retreat access as seen from The High Street. The railings were taken for the war effort.

0096PL - 1937 Nurses Cottage which was in Wings Road, Lakenheath

0097PL - High Street -Broom Road corner Lakenheath

0098PL - Plough Lane, (Now part of Mill Road) Lakenheath in 1914. Note Flatts shop on the left and The Plough PH on the right.

0099PL - Relief channel bridge Camping Close Lakenheath April 1993

0100PL - The Lode

0101PL - The Kettle bus owned by Ernie Fincham so called because the radiator often over heated

0102PL - Ernie Fincham bus c1935

0103PL - Prefabs North Road, Lakenheath with Left to right, Eileen Banwell Nee Clements. Barbara Rolph Nee Clements and Christine Randall Nee Clements.

0104PL - Corner High Street with Anchor Lane 1982

0105PL - Flatts Cycles, Mill Road, Lakenheath. Henry Flatt started his cycle business at this location before moving on to the High Street.

0106PL - Hammonds Bakery bread cart

0107PL - High Street, Lakenheath 1950s

0108PL - High Street, Lakenheath

0109PL - Lakenheath Pond with the War Memorial

0110PL - Lakenheath Village Green 11.8.1986

0111PL - High Street, Lakenheath and Pond c1920

0112PL - High Street, Lakenheath with the Hotel on the left and butchers on the right

0113PL - Lakenheath Retreat Hall as from the Drive c. 1919

0114PL - Lakenheath Pond

0115PL - Mill Road, Lakenheath looking towards the High Street early 1950's

0116PL - Wingfield Road construction. The first batch were built by J F Bennett in 1955 and the second batch by Reg Diver in 1956

0117PL - Mill Pond July 1983

0118PL - View from Lakenheath Church 1880

0119PL - Piling at High Bridge Lak