Before it isn't there anymore...

A day of visual documentation for Kingshurst residents Saturday 5th March 2022, Kingshurst Library

Big changes are coming – the future is exciting, but the past is important too. We want to spend a day in collaboration with everyone who loves Kingshurst and has memories and feelings about the parade, documenting the sights and textures of the area. It's a chance to remember happy things that happened, and to create a lasting impression of those parts of the buildings that are special to you.

There are three parts to the day and you can participate in some or all of them – it's up to you.

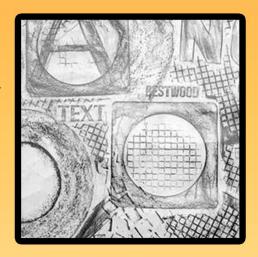


1) Photographer Greg Goodale will be going out and about during the day on a series of half hour walkabouts – he will be photographing things that catch his eye, but also he'll photograph those things that you point out to him. Perhaps with you in the photograph too it you'd like it. We'll have some disposable cameras too, for you to use, and you can bring along your phone or other camera and we'll be able to upload pictures in the library afterwards.

Photography Session times are: 10am, 12noon and 2pm

- 2) Chris Lewis Jones is going to do something very different: 'Don't Frott on my Parade' is a creative intervention, where you record the actual buildings through drawing and mark-making. Absolutely no experience or skill is required everyone is welcome. Participants will explore the social/retail environment by:
- Selecting and drawing surfaces and textures in and around Kingshurst Parade.
- Recording the sounds, sights, smells and feelings in and around Kingshurst Parade

These will be guided walks, with Chris, lasting about an hour.
All materials will be supplied. Just bringyourself and your curiosity.
Frottage sessions times are: 11am, 1pm and 3pm



3) Come and share your pictures and memories. In the library we'll have a computer and scanner, so you can upload any digital pictures you might have, and scan any prints or old photographs – or indeed any visual material. And at the same time, you could tell us the story that goes with it! And if you haven't got a picture but do have a story to share, then come and tell us that! We'd love to hear it. Pop in all day

Everything starts from the library and the day will run from 10 am to 4.30 pm with refreshments provided throughout the day. All ages welcome. Children under 11 to be accompanied by an adult. Just drop in – absolutely everyone is welcome!

You can attend as many sessions as you like but to help with numbers, please let us know if you want to book a specific slot on culture@solihull.gov.uk

And then what happens?

We'll be collecting all the material and putting it together into some sort of document – so that it doesn't get lost. We might put some of it onto the hoardings that are going to be around the building site. And moving into the summer, we plan to use the material as source information for a creative elebration of some kind – so look out for further news of how to get involved with that!





