

NEWHAVEN HERITAGE ROUTES

linear or circular, depending upon the route taken. You can find out lots more about the places on this walk by accessing the supporting PDF via the QR code. played a vital role in providing: employment, shopping walking with children, you might like them to consider and leisure/entertainment opportunities. If you are awareness of the vibrant past of the town centre which Our local volunteer researchers want to raise your Welcome to the third Newhaven Heritage Routes Map. have created to accompany the walk. The walk can be esponding to the children's activities (CA) that we

PART ONE

(Stops 01-08 on map). Distance approx. 1km Newhaven Swing Bridge to The Hillcrest Centre



the West Quay Side (BN9 9PJ/TQ447014). A good place to see the Bridge is on the pavement (near to Riverside North), as the traffic comes off of the Bridge good view of the Cormorant Sculpture, created by and heads west along the A259. You will also get a ocal artist Christian Funnell and installed in 2005. (o) We start the walk at Newhaven Swing Bridge on

made to straighten the river, a swing bridge was built and opened in December 1866. Increases in the by George III in 1784. In 1864, when a new cut was weight and volume of traffic meant that it needed to be across the old swing bridge! replaced and a new bridge was opened on 7th November 1974. Did you know that trains used to go The Act to build Newhaven's First Bridge was passed

sign tell you if the bridge is going to open today? ook at the signal box on the bridge. Does the

who lost their lives as a result of the Dieppe Raid of members of the Corps of Royal Canadian Engineers World Wars. The Canadian Memorial honours of who died as a result of both the First and Second commemorates the officers and men of the Merchant memorials on Memorial Green The Transport Memorial see the Memorial Green ahead of you. There are three Navy who lost their lives in the First World War. The Town Memorial commemorates those Newhaveners (01) Cross over the A259 at the crossing and you will 9th August 1942.

Memorial? What do you think the symbols represent? four symbols can you see on the Transport

escaping to England following the outbreak of the both directions. At the end of the street is the Bridge once a thriving street with traffic (buses too) going in Queen Amelia spent their first night in exile, after nn where the last King of France (Louis Philippe) and (03) From Memorial Green you can see Bridge Street, 1848 French Revolution.

King and Queen of France might have stayed in, in CA) Looking at the Inn, which room do you think the

> buses) used to go up Newhaven High Street. Shops Street used to be a bustling area full of people, noise and traffic. Before the ring road, traffic (including Shop and Funnells (bakers). Hardy Willis (shoeshop), a Fishmongers, a Flower ncluded Clarkes Butchers, a Launderette, Freeman (A) Newhaven High Street is ahead of you. The High

with bannisters on each side! One of the oldest buildings in the High Street today is at Number 19 At the beginning of the 20th Century, Bannisters took over six stores, three on each side of the street, this gave the High Street the nick-name the "staircase", ocation of Barwells the solicitors.

Street now? What shops would you like to see on the High

Newhaven's Customs House a place of corruption, Harbour Master's House and before that, the On the corner of Bridge and High Street (on the site of the former Nat West Building), once stood The religious conversion and murder!

was the favourite dining establishment of Thomas
Turner of East Hoathly when he attended Customs
House auctions in the 1760's to purchase currants and wrecked ships, and the materials from shipwrecks -They were centres of business for the town. The Ship Inn was the site of auctions - of newly built ships, The White Hart (moved back from its original location), and events such as the Coronation Dinner for George IV. In the past, pubs were not only places for drinking. foreign brandy' seized from smugglers.

Kinema opened in 1916 on Meeching Road. the 1960's and was demolished in the 1970's. Finally, opened 1915 on the High Street. It became The Rex in Horace's Fish and Chip shop. Cinema-de-Luxe Theatre (Palace) on Chapel Street is now the site of Newhaven has had three cinemas. The Electric

in 1980, local businesses of the time were encouraged of shops you will find The Time Capsule in Newhaven passing the shops on your left. At the end of the row to donate items to go in the capsule. Square (BN9 9PE/TQ445013). The capsule was buried [05] Turn left at Poundstretchers in the High Street

Newhaven time capsule? What things do you think were put in the 1980

where Meeching Road continues divided by the Ring was known as Piano Street in the late 1800's? nouses in the street that celebrate the work of artist Road built in the 1970's. It is here you can see some Return back to the High Street and head north, take a left into Meeching Road, cross over the A259 lictor Stuart Graham. CA) How many Boot Scrapers can you spot in eching Road? Did you know Meeching Road

car was abandoned there in November 1974. To date over to the Hillcrest centre, you will go past Norman Road. This road gained notoriety when Lord Lucan's Hillcrest Centre ahead. However, just before you cross Hillside (becomes Bay View Road) you will see the ord Lucan has never been found At the end of Meeching Road, turn right into

refreshing drink/snack and meet some amazing well-being opportunities to locals. Pop in, get a centre providing a range of educational, social and Centre was saved from probable demolition in the mid 1990's and became a charity-run thriving community Formerly an adult education site, The Hillcrest

PART TWO

(Stops 09-14 on map). Distance approx. 1km Nun's Walk to The Convent Buildings.

some steep hills. some more heritage gems. This part of the walk has You can choose to return back to the High Street, or you could decide to walk a bit further and explore

- Leave the Hillcrest Centre by the Nursery, turn left and head towards the top of Bay View Road. Look you to Neills Close. can start the path and then take a right which will take path gets very muddy in winter, to avoid the mud, you for the Nuns Walk sign (BN9 9JN/TQ444010). This
- At the end you will reach Meeching Rise, then turn left into Church Hill. From this point you can explore several heritage gems on Church Hill.
- poor of Newhaven. up the hill, you see will the Workhouse on your right. The workhouse was opened in 1836 to support the
- were buried in mass graves in and around this shipwreck of HMS Brazen on 26th January 1800. a place of remembrance for the men lost in the churchyard. His gravestone bears the bridge which Return down Church Hill until you come to St Michaels Church. At over 900 years old, St Michaels is Many were never found, but at least sixty nine men churchyard you will also find the Brazen Memorial. It is became the trademark for Tipper Ales. In the Newhaven's oldest surviving building. The brewer Thomas Tipper died in 1785 and is buried in the
- the Convent of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. home - Meeching Place - were purchased by a French order of Nuns in 1896 who used the building to set up Convent buildings. When Caroline Catt, a local down towards the High Street you will pass the wealthy philanthropist died in 1895, the deeds to her Return to Church Hill and as you head back
- ends (BN9 9PQ/TQ443013). and the end of Newhaven High Street where the walk Continue to the junction of Church Hill, the A259







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Newhaven for you to explore and enjoy. There are This Newhaven Heritage Route was researched and co-produced by a group of local residents coordinated by Sussex Community Developmen historical interests of those who participated and links them together to form a walking trail in

