

*This course outline describes what will be covered in your course. It also sets out what you should expect to learn. There will be an opportunity for course members to discuss the course content with the tutor.*



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<b>Branch:</b> WEA Dover		
<b>Course Title:</b> Exploring Local History: Research into Practice		
<b>Tutor:</b> Maureen Criddle	<b>Course No:</b> C3725378	<b>Fee:</b>
<b>Venue:</b> Landmark Centre (Deal)	<b>Start Date:</b> 25 September 2008	
<b>Day:</b> Thursday (fortnightly)	<b>Course Times:</b> 13:45	<b>Number of Sessions:</b> 20 <b>GLH:</b> 40

**Course Publicity** (*maximum 40 words*)

Fortnightly tutor-guided practical course researching topics of interest in Upper Deal's history

**Course Aim**

If possible at the end of the course the group will present an exhibition of their research at a local venue

**Course Programme** (*this may be modified in the light of the interests of course members*)

Upper Deal has a history stretching back before the Domesday Book. It would be possible to research many topics within the area of Upper Deal and this could possibly result in enough interesting material to present to the wider public.

Students will be able to choose their topics for research. Some possible areas of research might be:

- The church history (There is a pamphlet available in the Church but it has not been revised in at least 30 years)
- Links to the Naval activities
- Deal Boat Men
- Transport – the St Leonard's Social Centre is on the site of a Toll Gate to Sandwich
- Inns and Pubs – eg Admiral Kepple
- Education
- Farming
- The Manor House
- The Poor
- Employment
- Industry
- What's in a name – street names, house names, etc
- Pre-history – there is an Anglo Saxon cemetery at the top of Mill Hill
- ... etc

At some stage in the course we will undertake a site visit to Upper Deal



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**Planned Learning Outcomes** *(these may be modified in the light of the course members interests)*

By the end of the course you should be able:

1. to approach a topic for research with consideration for location, accessibility, time factor and necessary skills
2. to identify a suitable topic for research in Upper Deal
3. to plan a research programme and amend as necessary
4. to produce findings in an agreed format
5. to put findings together as a group project for possible exhibition and/or publication

**Teaching methods:**

The tutor will supervise the activities and prepare special topic discussions on items as necessary. Teaching will be by demonstration, explanation, tutor-led discussion and tutor-led research

**Entry Requirements** *(course level, prior experience, equipment, materials etc required)* A basic knowledge of research techniques and sources for the study of local or family history and basic literacy skills. The course will be taught at level 2.

**Further study and progression**

Further WEA courses or possible progression to UKC Part-time Certificate in the Theory & Practice of Local History

**Additional essential costs to learners** Possibly entry fees, and photocopying costs at record offices

**Some information about your tutor** Maureen Criddle has been teaching local and family history courses at Adult Education venues for over 20 years. She also leads local history walks in the Folkestone and Cheriton areas. She has recently graduated from UKC with a BA(Hons), where she studied Kentish History as a mature student.

**Short booklist**

TITLE	AUTHOR	PUBLISHER
will be advised to students as course progresses		

**Relevant Internet Sites and CD ROMs: will be advised to students as course progresses**

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