

Brighton & Hove Open Door 2018

06-09 and 13-16 September

PROGRAMME for 9th September 100+ FREE EVENTS celebrating the City's heritage



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About the Organisers

Brighton & Hove Open Door is organised annually by staff and volunteers at The Regency Town House in Brunswick Square, Hove.

The Town House is a grade 1 Listed terraced home of the mid-1820s, developed as a heritage centre with a focus on the city's rich architectural legacy.

Work at the Town House is supported by The Brunswick Town Charitable Trust, registered UK charity number 1012216.

About the Event

Brighton & Hove Open Door is always staged during September, as a part of the national Heritage Open Days (HODs) – a once-a-year chance to discover architectural treasures and enjoy tours and activities about local history and culture. The Town House team have participated in HODs since its inception in 1994.

When using this guide, please note that we have set out the listings in 14 thematic categories and that within each category we have provided first the events that do not require pre-booking and then the venues and activities that do require booking*. Where booking is required, this can be done via www.rth.org.uk.

We hope you find the thematic categories useful but do please bear in mind that they are somewhat arbitrary and you may find an event in an unexpected listing.

This year we have a fabulous mix to our BHOD offer, including events related to our Profiles of the Past, MyHouseMyStreet and Here in the Past projects, the latter two of which will introduce you to the history and residents of local neighbourhoods.

If you would like to assist us with the organisation of future Brighton & Hove Open Door events, if you would like to participate as a venue or activity organiser, or if you have suggestions for improvements, do please contact us via:

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Thanks

During 2018 we have continued our efforts to establish Brighton & Hove Open Door into one of the city's great annual celebrations.

This year's programme is testimony to the hard work of the many people involved in organising Brighton & Hove Open Door and we are grateful to them all, especially our Town House volunteers and the venue and activity organizers; who are giving so generously of their time.

Nick Tyson, Curator, The Regency Town House

* Please Note: Events that must be pre-booked, prior to attendance, can be reserved online at: <http://www.rth.org.uk/BHOD18>

Brighton & Hove Open Door – great days out for free!

SHOREHAM AND STEYNING

No booking required

St Julian's Church, St Julian's Lane, Kingston Buci, Shoreham-by-Sea

St Julian's Church, St. Julians Lane, Shoreham-by-Sea, West Sussex, BN43 6YS

St Julian's church is one of the oldest and most interesting in Sussex. Although we don't know exactly how long there has been a church on this site, we do know that there has been a significant settlement at Kingston Buci for centuries. St Julian's Church is a flint building with stone dressings,

and consists of a nave with a north aisle, chancel and central (but partly offset) tower. The chancel and tower are the same width, and there are no transepts. The walls of the nave survive from the 11th century, and the rebuilding work of the 13th century appears not to have changed the proportions of the rest of the church. Although the aisle was rebuilt in the 19th century, its large arches—described by Nikolaus Pevsner as "beautifully proportioned"—remain from the 13th century, when it was originally built St Julian's Church is listed at Grade I

Opening Times - 6 -9 September: 1000-1600, 13-16 September 1000-1600

Shoreham Fort

Shoreham Fort, Shoreham-by-Sea, West Sussex, BN43 5HY

Visit historic Shoreham Fort. Prime Ministers, Emperors, Queens, Film Stars, Edison, Charge of the Light Brigade, Two World Wars and even Nicholas Lyndhurst... Shoreham Fort has a unique, diverse and significant history which will be shared as part of this year's Heritage Open Days. A Soldier from the era of the fort will give you a tour at 14:00 as others will show you the progression of the rifles throughout Queen Victoria's reign and beyond.

This is the day to find out more and for kids to explore our history through fun games such as the Powder Monkey game, Chaaarge!!! and Parade Drill. We serve drinks & home-made cake.

Directions - By car From the A259, turn on to Shoreham Beach, and follow the brown tourist signs until you come to 'Fort Haven' on your right. Sat-Nav users can use the Post-Code BN43 5HY. There is a council-run pay and display car park adjacent to the fort, which has adequate parking. On foot From Shoreham High Street, cross the footbridge over the river, and follow 'Harbour Road' east, until you come across the turning 'Fort Haven' on your left.

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: 1100 - 1600

WALKS, TALKS AND TOURS

No booking required

Architecture & Materials - from Bungaroosh to Iron and Beyond - Robert Street

Meet at the corner of Robert Street and North Road, North Laine, Brighton & Hove

Come and discover Robert Street's fascinating story and gain an insight into Brighton's unique history Meeting at the corner of Robert Street with North Road at 1pm on Sunday, the walk will be led by one of the MyHouseMyStreet research team and visit a number of streets including Robert Street. This event has developed as a part of My House My Street, a collaborative, community-based project that aims to offer detailed information about the past residents of a street and the jobs they undertook, together with an in-depth street history. We will also be distributing leaflets explaining how to undertake similar research for your own home or street.

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: 1300 - 1400

The Aubrey Beardsley Tour

Meet: W H Smith's bookshop on the concourse of Brighton Station, Queens Road, BN1 3XP

Join guide Alexia Lazou for a gentle 90-120 minute stroll through Brighton, exploring the buildings and places associated with the early life of artist Aubrey Beardsley (1872-1898). Aubrey Beardsley was famous for his innovative black and white illustrations. This year marks the 120th anniversary of Beardsley's death at the tragically early age of twenty-five. The tour concludes with an optional visit to The Yellow Book cafe/bar on York Place.

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: 1400 – 1600, Sunday 16 September: 1100 - 1300

Here in the Past - Retail Trail

Start: the 'Here in the Past' stall - Junction Gloucester Road and Sydney Street, Brighton, BN1 4AD

Architectural features in a North Laine retail street. Members of the 'Here in the Past' research team from the Regency Town House will be available at the stall in Gloucester Road between 12pm and 3pm to introduce our Retail Trail work, which will open your eyes to some interesting architectural features and hidden stories in the well known 'North Laine' area.

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: 1200 - 1500

Pelham Square - A New Look at an Old Square!

Meet at the red telephone boxes at the corner of Pelham Square, Brighton & Hove, East Sussex

Pelham Square's fascinating story. For BHOD 2018, come and join a member of the 'Here in the Past' research team on an architectural assessment of Pelham Square. We will be looking at some of the Square's more interesting architectural features and discovering Pelham Square's fascinating story, giving us an insight into Brighton's unique history. Meeting at the red telephone boxes at the corner of Pelham Square at 2.20pm on Sunday.

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: 1430 - 1515

Period Architecture Trail

Start: the Regency Town House stall ,- Junction Gloucester Road and Sydney Street, Brighton

Enjoy our city's impressive period architecture. Members of the local history research team from the Regency Town House will be available at the stall in Gloucester Road between 12pm and 3pm to introduce a number of trails of period architecture. Information will be provided on Victorian, Regency and Modern architecture. There will be fully illustrated A3 posters to take away provided by the Regency Society of Brighton and Hove. Take a copy of the trails away with you too, so that afterwards you can enjoy exploring at your pace!

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: 1200 – 1500

Not Just the Trunk Murders! An illustrated Walk in Kemp Street

Meet south end of Kemp Street, Brighton & Hove, East Sussex

More than murder! Kemp Street has long had a notorious place in Brighton's history with the infamous Trunk Murders of 1934. Find out about this and more fascinating stories in this street's past, including the story of the last large-scale smallpox outbreak in England. Meet at the south end of Kemp Street from 2.45pm, the tour starts at 3pm, maximum 15 people.

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: Walk 1500-1600

Booking required via: <http://www.rth.org.uk/bhod18>

Sex and Shopping! A Guided Walk of Gardner Street

Meet: junction of Gardner St and Church St outside Gelato Gusto ice cream parlour, Brighton & Hove, East Sussex, BN1 1UP

Sex and shopping! Join us for a guided tour of "respectable" Gardner Street and neighbouring Orange Row (all that remains of the once infamous Pimlico district of Brighton). The walk will last a maximum of one hour and will aim to highlight 200 years of the streets' somewhat chequered history. Meet outside Gelato Gusto at the junction of Gardner Street and Church Street at 11.55. Additional tours may be added to meet demand, See booking site below.

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: Walk 1200 - 1300

Booking required via: <http://www.rth.org.uk/bhod18>

Slaughter in Trafalgar Street - and more...

Meet at the North side of Pelham Square, Brighton & Hove, East Sussex, BN1 4ET

More than slaughter ... Explore the rich history behind the jumbled facades of Trafalgar Street, from open fields to Conservation Area. Along the way we'll meet scholars and shopkeepers, pubs and philanthropists, council control and yes, cows.

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: 1300-1400

Booking required via: <http://www.rth.org.uk/bhod18>

RELIGIOUS SPACES

No booking required

All Saints' Church Guided Tour, Photo Exhibition and Vaughan Williams

All Saints Church, Junction The Drive and Eaton Road, Brighton & Hove, East Sussex, BN3 3QE

Home to the marriage of British composer, Vaughan Williams, All Saints stands as one of the finest churches of the 19th century Gothic Revival and the creation of two remarkable men: Thomas Peacey and John Loughborough Pearson. All Saints has one of the richest arrays of Christian iconography of the period and its furnishings of carved stone and woodwork, together with the great scheme of stained glass created by the pre-eminent firm of Clayton and Bell are of an extraordinary high quality. It has always been highly regarded as a building: Nikolaus Pevsner described it as 'superb and cathedral-like'.

Saturday 8 September 10am-12pm:

10am: Opening with a Vaughan Williams organ piece played by All Saints Church Director of Music, Jon Rawles, followed by a welcome from Fr Ryan Green and a guided tour. A photography exhibition from local artist and parishioner Sarah Sutherland-Rowe will be on display, portraying the life of the church and the Brighton and Hove community, alongside an ornate collection of church treasures. The session will finish with tea and homemade cakes.

Sunday 9 September 11.30am to 1.30pm:

11.30am: Opening with a Vaughan Williams piece performed by All Saints Choir, followed by a welcome from Fr Ryan Green and a guided tour. A photography exhibition from local artist and parishioner Sarah Sutherland-Rowe will be on display, portraying the life of the church and the Brighton and Hove community, alongside an ornate collection of church treasures. The session will finish with tea and homemade cakes.

Opening Times - Saturday 8 September: 1000 – 1200, Sunday 9 September: 1130 - 1330

St Bartholomew's Church

Ann Street, Brighton , Brighton & Hove, East Sussex, BN1 4GP

St Bartholomew, Brighton, one of the great churches of the 19th century - the cathedral of what used to be called the 'London-Brighton and South Coast Religion' with its incense, ritual, embroidered vestments and lights. The fabric itself is a masterpiece of brickwork and a credit to its little-known architect, Edmund Scott. The fittings, great baldacchino and silver side altar by Henry Wilson, the font and the stained glass lancets complement each other and enhance the building. Only Holy Trinity, Sloane Street, in London, compares with it as a monument in richness of fittings belonging to that inventive time of the Art Workers Guild which immediately succeeded William Morris. In the noise and glitter of cheerful Brighton, this great church is a tall sanctuary of peace. Its interior awes beholders to silence. Services on Sunday at 9.30 and 11.00 - please be respectful of the congregation.

Access Information The church is normally open from 10.00 am until 4.30 pm every weekday and on Sunday from 9.00 am until 1.00 pm. On Sunday there will be two main services in progress at 9.30 am and 11.00am and there are services on the other weekdays which any visitors must take into consideration

Opening Times - Thursday 6 September: **Sorry - church NOT open on Thursday 6th.** Friday 7 and Saturday 8 September: 1000 – 1630, Sunday 9 September: 0900 - 1300 (Services at 9.30 and 11.00) Thursday 13, Friday 14 and Saturday 15 September: 1000 – 1630, Sunday 16 September: 0900 - 1300 (Services at 9.30 and 11.00)

St Helen's Church Open Days

St Helen's Church, Hangleton Way/Downsview, Brighton & Hove, East Sussex, BN3 8ER

Listed Grade II, St Helen's has parts variously dated to Late Saxon to Early Norman. It does not feature in Domesday, but certainly was in existence by 1093. The Tower was added c.1300 along with a re-modelling of the Chancel. The decline of the village after the black death in the mid 14th century to a population of less than 100 which level remained until the 20th century was probably responsible for saving St Helen's from the Victorian 'restorers'. Today much of the medieval fabric remains, the inside having more changes to make a living building more suitable for today's worship, while retaining a few original features. Much repair and restoration has been done in recent years, the 1960s north vestry has flint walls to match the original construction materials. After water damage in the 1950s, several layers of medieval wall paintings were uncovered and stabilized. There will be a church service Sunday morning at 10:45 to 12:00 for those who would like to attend. **Additional information** - There will be displays in the church about it's history and a special display about the First World War memorial window giving a brief history of those mentioned on the window and their link to St Helen's including relations who have visited the church this year.

Opening Times - Friday 7 September: 1000 – 1700, Saturday 8 September: 1000 – 1700 and Sunday 9 September: 1000 – 1700

St Martin's Church, Lewes Road

St Martins' Church, Lewes Road, Brighton & Hove, East Sussex, BN2 3HQ

St. Martin's is a fine example of Anglo Catholic 19th Century church buildings, designed to lead folk from the ordinariness of daily life outside to a glimpse of the glory of heaven within. St Martin's is a Grade II* listed building. This idea of transition is enhanced by the building as, having descended from the street level, the eyes are immediately drawn to the elevated sanctuary at the east end and the magnificent reredos made up of paintings and Oberammergau carved statues. With many other unique statues, pulpit and font, together with a comprehensive collection of stained glass, all enclosed by the painted ceiling made up of 144 panels each containing the alms of an overseas diocese of the Anglican Communion when the Church was consecrated. Visitors are welcome to attend Mass before the scheduled opening times.

Opening Times - Saturday 8 September: 1130 – 1600, Sunday 9 September: 1115 – 1600, Saturday 15 September: 1130 – 1600, Sunday 16 September: 1115 - 1600

St Nicholas' Church, Brighton

Dyke Road, Brighton, Brighton & Hove, East Sussex, BN1 3LJ

This church is dedicated to St Nicholas, the patron saint of sailors and fishermen. Until 1873, St Nicholas was the Parish Church of Brighton and it still is the Mother Church and the only church in central Brighton of ancient interest. The earliest known reference to a church in Brighthelmstone, the old name for Brighton, comes from William the Conqueror's great census, the Domesday Book, written about 1085. This states that there was a church, valued at £12, which had been assessed as worth £10 in the reign of the Saxon King Edward. On the wall of the south aisle is a list of vicars, far from complete and not always accurate, but dating back to 1091. The side chapel, now the Lady Chapel, dates from the early years of the 16th C and may originally have been a chantry chapel. In 2009 the wall paintings adorning the Chancel and West walls and the 14th C screen were restored.

Opening Times - Friday 7 September: 1300 – 1500, Saturday 8 September: 1000 – 1700, Sunday 9 September: 1300 – 1500, Friday 14 September: 1300 – 1500, Saturday 15 September: 1000 – 1700, Sunday 16 September: 1300 - 1500

FASHIONABLE HOUSES

No booking required

Clayton Tunnel North Portal

Tunnel House, Clayton Hill, Clayton, Brighton & Hove, East Sussex, BN6 9PQ

What lies behind the commanding battlements of the Clayton tunnel North Portal? Every day hundreds of trains hurtle under this Gothic folly whose imposing castellated towers protect the old tunnel keeper's cottage. But for most people this secluded building remains a mystery. What are its historical origins? What lies behind the commanding battlements? And what's it like having trains running right beneath your living room? This tour will answer all these questions and more. Visitors will be shown around the grounds and have the chance to go into the cottage, view some memorabilia and experience the trains. Please note that due to space limitations no one will be granted access unless they hold a confirmed booking. We regret that we cannot admit anyone under the age of 18. **Access Information** Access to Clayton Tunnel grounds is via a gravel track and rutted earth paths and therefore regrettably not suitable for wheelchairs. We regret that we cannot admit anyone under the age of 18. Visitors should wear practical footwear and bring an umbrella should rain be likely since the grounds are exposed. Please note that, due to space limitations, no one will be granted access unless they hold a confirmed booking. Please take great care when crossing the 50mph main road alongside Tunnel House. **Directions** Next door to the Jack & Jill pub in Clayton (BN6 9PD), close to the intersection of the A273 and New Way Lane. Please assemble outside the large steel gates in New Way Lane opposite the garden of the Jack & Jill pub.. Please note that parking at the Jack & Jill pub is for PATRONS ONLY.

Opening Times - Saturday 8 September: Tour 1400 & 1600, Sunday 9 September: Tour 1400 & 1600

Booking required via: <http://www.rth.org.uk/bhod18>

Marlborough House - Robert Adam on the south coast

Meet at: Marlborough House, 54 Old Steine, Brighton & Hove, East Sussex, BN1 1NH

Join us for a 60 minute exploration of Marlborough House (NOT inside the building) and its history. The building was originally constructed, c1765, for Samuel Shergold, proprietor of the Castle Hotel in Brighton. Marlborough House was sold to the fourth Duke of Marlborough shortly after and in 1786 sold again, to William Gerard Hamilton MP, who had the house extensively re-modelled by Robert Adam. It was Adam who designed the facade that can be seen today and much of his characteristic work remains inside. Later, Marlborough House served principally as local authority offices. Today the building is in private ownership and falling into distress. NOTE: It is unlikely that this event will visit the interior of the property.

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: 0930-1030

Booking required via: <http://www.rth.org.uk/bhod18>

The West Pier - Celebrating the Past and Planning the Future

West Pier Centre, 103-105 Kings Road Arches, Brighton & Hove, East Sussex, BN1 2FN

East of BAI360 is a new promenade space which celebrates the West Pier and its history. Opened in 2017, the site features a 'Golden Spiral' made up of salvaged West Pier columns. Come and find out about the West Pier, exciting kiosk restoration project and see our latest exhibition. The West Pier Trust is committed through education and conservation to preserving and celebrating the history of the West Pier. The new West Pier Centre is located in a renovated arch near the Golden Spiral. It marks the return of the West Pier Trust to the seafront and will function as office, information point and education and events space. Visit us in our new home and learn about our projects and plans.

Opening Times – Friday 7, Saturday 8, and Sunday 9 September: 1100 – 1500, Friday 14, Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 September: 1100 - 1500

West Blatchington Windmill

97 Holmes Avenue , Brighton & Hove, East Sussex, BN3 7LE

Unusual six sided smock mill c.1820, built on a square flint and brick tower. The mill was sketched by John Constable in 1825. Restored as a fascinating museum of milling and agricultural history with five floors to explore and many unique features. Refreshments available to purchase in the north barn.

Additional information Refreshments available at very reasonable prices in the north barn. **Directions** From jct of A27/A2038 take A2038 for 3/4 m, L at lights. Road side parking adjacent to the mill.

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: 1400 - 1700

EDUCATION

No booking required

Saddlescombe Farm Tour

Saddlescombe Road, Brighton & Hove, East Sussex, BN45 7DE

Discover this ancient downland farm that was once owned by the Knights Templar. Enjoy tours of the 17th century buildings and the walled garden. Our Heritage Open Day is one of the few opportunities to explore the historic working downland farm of Saddlescombe. This enigmatic farmstead nestled in the rolling hills of the Sussex countryside has a quaint charm to enchant all who visit. First established during the thirteenth century, Saddlescombe Farm has seen many changes over the centuries. The manor house reflects the passing eras with parts dating from the Tudor to the Victorian periods. There are also many examples of traditional Sussex flint walled barns dating from the seventeenth century, along with historic farming tools and machinery. A unique feature of the farm is the old Donkey Wheel, which was used to pump water from a deep well. Other highlights also include

threshing barns, a milking shed, a wheelwright, stables and a shepherds hut. **Access Information** Limited wheelchair access in buildings. Some tracks around the farm are challenging but should be manageable with the warden's assistance. Disabled toilet available at the Farm. **Directions** By road: Follow signs on the day: Signposted on A281 near the Rushfield Plant Centre. From A27, head north towards Devil's Dyke but stay to the right as the road forks, the farm is then approximately 1 mile. Parking £2. Please follow signs near Devil's Dyke. Limited free car parks at Summerdown Road OS: TQ269112, 5-10 minutes walk from the Farm.

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: 1030 - 1530

The Secret Garden in Kemp Town

The Secret Garden, Corner of Bristol Gardens/ Bristol Place, Brighton , BN2 5JE

The Trustees welcomed over 600 visitors to the Secret Garden for Heritage Open Door 2017. This year, they will be on hand to talk to visitors about future plans and a major exhibition of the work of William Pye, the internationally acclaimed sculptor. The garden has been planned to look at its very best for Heritage Open Door 2018 (HODs 2018) and there will be explanatory handouts on the plants and plantings. For several years, the garden's experienced plantsman has been cultivating the area throughout the seasons, shaping mature shrubs and adding many new species to the planting scheme. Siobhan from TABLE will again be selling luxury teas at HODs 2018, with handcrafted cakes and other refreshments, as well as autumnal produce including speciality organic jams and preserves.

Opening Times - Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 September: 1100 – 1700, Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 September: 1100 – 1700

GARDENS, NATURE AND PARKS

Booking Required

From the street trees of Viaduct Rise to the elm avenues of The Level: a history of public planting

London Road Rail Station, Shaftesbury Place, Brighton & Hove, East Sussex, BN1 4QS

Have you ever looked up at our street trees and wondered when and why they were planted? A fundamental part of our Victorian streetscape, our street trees are now under pressure from disease, changing climate and the different ways we use our streets, but they are still much appreciated by residents. This walk starts at London Road Station, Shaftesbury Place, in the heart of 'Viaduct Rise' which was built as a middle-class suburb in the last quarter of the 19th century. (A street party should be in full swing there - you're most welcome to join). We head through tree-lined streets to The Level with its famous avenue of elms and fascinating history as a fairground, a cricket pitch, a 'pleasure garden' and 1920s park, complete with mock-classical features. We finish at the McClaren Pavilion, a recent renovation of the original 1920s structure, which now houses an exhibition based on oral park histories. Trees, public planting and local history will be our themes – do come and join us! Walk led by Elspeth Broady, Ditchling Rise and Area Residents' Association and The Level Communities Forum

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: 1500 - 1600

Booking required via: <http://www.rth.org.uk/bhod18>

Railway and Greenway – A Guided Walk from Brighton to London Road Station

Meet Cycle Hub, Brighton Station (North entrance), Brighton & Hove, East Sussex

Discover the industrial history behind the Brighton Greenway. Find out more about the architectural diversity of Preston Circus, influenced by its role as a transport hub, and visit the back rooms and tiny

gardens of one of Brighton's Victorian suburban stations: a celebration of railways and urban green space! This event is led by Elspeth Broady and guests. Elspeth is coordinator of London Road Station Partnership and Secretary of Friends of Brighton Greenway. She has lived in the London Road area for almost 40 years.

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: 1100 - 1300

Booking required via: <http://www.rth.org.uk/bhod18>

ARCHITECTURE

No booking required

Sussex Masonic Centre

25 Queens Road, Brighton & Hove, East Sussex, BN1 3YH

With Regency origins a part of the story, the current building was completed in 1928 and reflects the architectural and interior design of the period. The magnificent staircase and Masonic meeting rooms retain their original features and are currently home to over 90 separate masonic lodges and orders. Join the Curator for a fascinating tour and question and answer session that will last approximately one hour and twenty minutes. Adults only please.

Opening Times - Sunday 9 September: Tour 0900 & 1100, Sunday 16 September: Tour 0900 & 1100

Booking required via: <http://www.rth.org.uk/bhod18>

GOVERNMENT AND CIVIC

Booking Required

Shoreham Lifeboat Station Tour

Royal National Lifeboat Institution, Lifeboat House, Brighton Road, Shoreham-by-Sea, West Sussex, BN43 6RN

Visit Shoreham RNLI Lifeboat Station. Shoreham RNLI Lifeboat Station celebrates over 150 years of saving lives at sea. The present Shoreham Harbour Lifeboat station was completed in 2010 following the demolition of the old Lifeboat Station which had stood on the same site since 1933. The new Lifeboat Station consists of a large boat hall, crew training room / class room, proper drying facilities for wet crew kit, changing facilities and a viewing platform, all of which will be open to the public during the Brighton Heritage Open days (subject to emergency operational requirements). The Lifeboat Station on Kingston Beach, houses our state of the art Tamar all weather lifeboat. At almost £3m the Tamar class is a huge investment for the RNLI but brings huge advantages to our lifesaving work. Whilst visiting Shoreham Harbour Lifeboat Station you will be shown around by one of the station's knowledgeable volunteer visit guides who will not only show you both of Shoreham Harbours Lifeboats (sorry no access on boats) but will also show you where the lifeboat crews' kit is kept. You will get the opportunity to see the crew kit worn by all members of the Crew and maybe even try it on!

Opening Times - Thursday 6, Friday 7, Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 September: Tour 1400 – 1530, Thursday 13, Friday 14, Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 September: Tour 1400 - 1530

Booking required via: <http://www.rth.org.uk/bhod18>

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