



Theatre Locale –

Your Heavitree Squilometre Update

Welcome to the Feb/Mar issue of *Theatre Locale* 2019. *Theatre Locale* is your [Heavitree Squilometre](#) Update.



This example of a Moated Manor House from Warwickshire, shows how our Wonford example may have looked. Ours, of course, would have been made from our very own red, Heavitree stone! The Wonford Great House and the moat are now completely lost to view and lie beneath Birch Court. But the site was excavated in 2000 and its secrets are waiting to be told!

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[First Wonford Pod meeting Saturday 23rd February 2019](#). Come join us!

■ **Mont le Grand – Joint talk with the Heavitree Local History Soc**
[Tuesday 5th March 2019, 7.30-9.00](#)
Rifford Road, Heavitree Parish Church

■ **Have you got a [Squilometre nomination](#) that is still waiting?**
Let's talk about how we can move it forward

Wonford Village and the Great House – Mediaeval Manors and Moats!

Wonford Village romped ahead of the voting at the tail end for 2018 and took top spot for the next Heavitree *Squilometre* project. We've had a wonderful response to our invitation to join the Wonford Pod, the steering group for the project. It includes, so far, several local residents, including Olwen Foggin, one of Heavitree's own councillors. We've also issued invitations to Wynstream and to ISCA College, the Wonford Community and Learning Centre and to the young people of the Wonford and St Pauls Project. The first meeting is on **Saturday 23rd February 2019** but, as usual, the Pod will stay open for the duration of the project (running from Mar-Oct 2019) and you can come on board at any time. Remember though, the whole thing is community-led. If you wanna to *see* it, you gotta *be* it!!

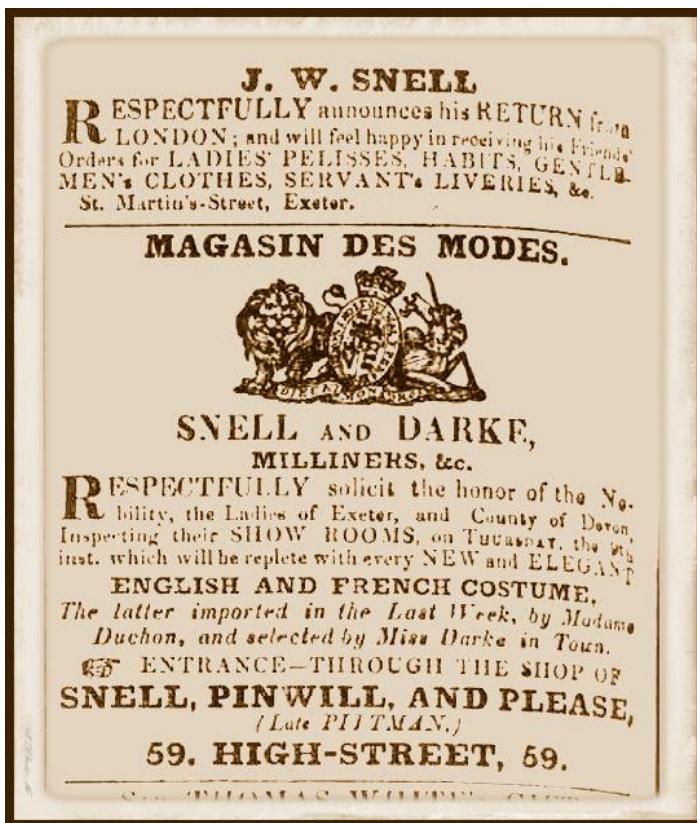
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If you'd like to come along on 23rd February it would be helpful if you us know please, just so that we have enough tea and cakes! You can use the contact details at the end of this newsletter or sign up through the website - <http://www.heavitreesquilometre.org/wonford-village-and-the-great-house.html>

Mont le Grand – Joint talk with the Heavitree Local History Society (HLHS)
Tuesday 5th March 2019, 7.30-9.00 Rifford Road, Heavitree Parish Church



We're thrilled to be co-hosting again with the HLHS this year. We'll be making a presentation of the results of the Mont le Grand – Opulent Heavitree research. We've managed to uncover the full occupation history of No. 1 Mont le Grand all the way from its development in the late 1830s. The developer of Nos.1 and 2 was a local draper/ mercer, John Westron Snell, who in 1828 withdrew from his drapery business on the High Street to explore the world of property development.

In the second part of the talk we will be presenting some of the findings of a student on the University's Global Lives: Multicultural Geographies course, looking at how the preferences of those returning from the colonies after the abolition of slavery influenced the architecture and design of Heavitree's grandest houses.

It all promises to be a really fascinating evening for the local history buff. Entry is £3 for non-HLHS members and there will be opportunity to take your vote for next year's Heavitree *Squilometre* project.

Have you got a [Squilometre nomination](#) that is still waiting?

We currently have 18 nominations made by local residents for suggested *Squilometre* projects. As you know the one with the most votes (collected at events and through the website) moves forward next. But, more nominations are coming in all the time and we can only tackle one or two a year. So, our invitation to you is this

**If you have made a nomination, and you're still waiting,
then get in touch using the contact details below and we'll talk
about the options for making it happen!**

DON'T WAIT – GET INVOLVED!

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