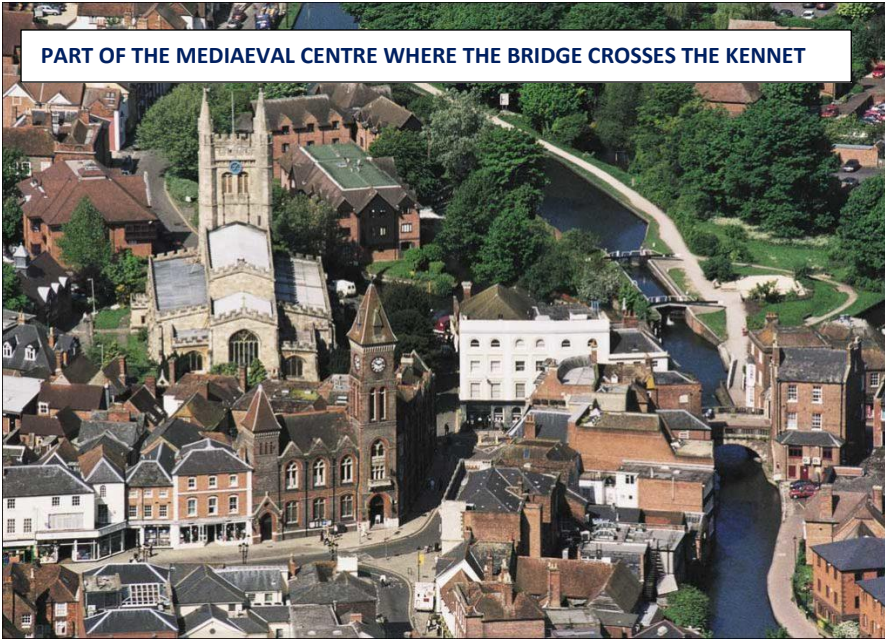


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The Growth and History of Newbury

Speaker: David Peacock

With this talk, David charts the origins and subsequent history of Newbury, its development over centuries, including settlement patterns and communication links. The latter have included the Bristol/ Bath Road, the river and canal, and the railway boom, as well as the A34 and, more recently, the M4. The talk weaves many historical elements within the geographical and economic factors that have shaped Newbury, from Norman origins to its development as a rich cloth town and on to today's prosperity as a centre of technological innovation, focused primarily on telecoms and high-tech companies. These suggest several major transformations for a town that had no clear mention of its name in the Domesday Book.

Dr David Peacock is a prominent Newbury historian, author, speaker and a leader of historical walks in the local area. His many history publications include *The Story of Newbury* [2011].



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