

Caversham 100 Years On

Wednesday 9 November 2011

(One hundred years to the day, from the enactment of the Reading Extension Order)

An Open Meeting to which everyone is welcome, hosted jointly by:

Caversham and District Residents' Association,

Emmer Green Residents' Association and

The Warren and District Residents Association

At the Caversham Baptist Church, Prospect Street

Courtesy of Waitrose, light refreshments will be available from **7.00pm** and all of the 'Caversham 100 Years On' exhibitions boards will be on view.

The formal part of the evening will be opened at **7.45pm** by The Right Worshipful the Mayor of Reading, Councillor Debs Edwards.

'Caversham - a century'

An illustrated talk

by Margaret Simons, local history tutor

In common with many other villages during the nineteenth century, which could not escape the increasing urbanisation of a neighbouring town, Caversham village was already a suburb of Reading by the time of its incorporation in 1911. A century on and the area, now often referred to as RG4, has continued to experience significant growth; it has a population roughly four times that of 1911 and is clearly still a desirable place to live. Using 1911 as our benchmark we will, through various themes such as housing development, consider the changes that have taken place which are fundamental in the shaping of today's Caversham.