

Trowbridge - Then and Now

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The county town of Trowbridge has witnessed some profound changes over the last century. Scenes from the early 1900's are totally unrecognisable today where as some of the finer buildings are little altered, preserving the towns illustrious heritage and history. In this new title from *Michael Marshman & Ken Rogers*, two of Trowbridge's foremost local historians, the changing face of the town is explored, comparing 45 rare archive images to the same scenes of today.

From the Market Place and The George to Upper Fore Street and the Town Hall, *Trowbridge Then & Now* captures the essence of the town and its people, detailing the evolution of Trowbridge over the years in a comprehensive and unique new way. Each pairing of photographs is accompanied by informative descriptions, outlining the history of the scene and how it has affected this close knit community.

- Over 45 archive images of Trowbridge compared to the same scenes of today.
- Witness the people of the past juxtaposed against their twenty-first century descendants.
- Featuring streets and buildings, shops and businesses, and people at work, all aspects of city life are covered.

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