Opening Times and Access

The museum is usually open each Tuesday between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm.

It is also open at other times and by appointment.

Please be aware that the museum may be closed at short notice due to funeral commitments.

We welcome tours from groups.

Please contact us to arrange an appointment.

Enquiries relating to funeral records

need to be emailed.

Talks about the history of
Frederick W Paine
are held throughout the year.
These are given at
24 Old London Road,
although speakers often visit
local organisations.
Please contact the branch for details.



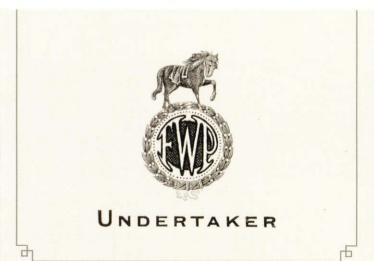




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THE FREDERICK W PAINE MUSEUM



Frederick William Paine was born in April 1870 and joined his father's firm of house furnishers, estate agents and undertakers in 1884, subsequently taking over the business in New Malden.

In 1908 he opened an office at 24 London Road in Kingston and over the next three decades established a network of branches throughout south west London and north Surrey.



By the time of his death in March 1945
Frederick W Paine was one of the largest
firms of funeral directors and monumental
masons in the country.



The museum was created when the firm celebrated its centenary in 1984.
Originally housed at Horace Road in Kingston, it was moved to 24 Old London Road in April 2008 to mark the centenary of Frederick W Paine occupying the building.



The Frederick W Paine Museum contains photographs and artefacts charting the firm's history and development.

The exhibition room is housed within a wooden panelled Grade II listed Edwardian funeral director's premises. It is unique in being the first permanent funeral museum in the UK.

Records of all the funerals the firm has carried out since 1908 have been carefully preserved in the branch.

The archive also possesses the funeral records of CW Farebrother, TH Ebbutt, Maxwell Bros, W Kemp and other firms.

Historical and genealogical enquiries are welcome.

