

# VILLAGE SIGN SOCIETY

~ the definitive and national society for village sign enthusiasts ~

Looking at our village signs and discovering the story behind the design can add a fascinating interest to those excursions into the countryside.

The first village signs were erected in the early half of the 20th century on the Sandringham Estate in Norfolk to foster a community spirit in the local villages. Since that time the concept has gradually spread, first through East Anglia, and now through the whole of Britain in varying concentrations.

The Village Sign Society was formed in 1999 so that enthusiasts could keep in touch with each other and share news of village signs being found and unveiled. The Society now also has the objectives of recording and promoting village signs.

The Society founded the national comprehensive database of all known village signs. A photobase - pictorial archive of such signs - has also been set up to complement it. Now covering over four thousand signs, these archives are constantly updated as new signs are unveiled.

The Society advises and provides guidance to those who are contemplating a new village sign.

Members receive a copy of the *Village Sign Times* three times a year. It includes articles on existing signs and details of new ones.

Members have access to the database and photobase.

An annual get-together followed by an AGM gives the opportunity to meet fellow enthusiasts and see presentations on village signs.

Members can give talks on village signs to local groups.

For further information visit [www.villagesignsociety.org.uk](http://www.villagesignsociety.org.uk).

Twitter: @villagesignsoc  
We are on Facebook

If you would like to join, please complete and send the attached form with your remittance to:

VSS Membership  
Michaelmas  
Tyland Lane  
Sandling  
Maidstone  
Kent ME14 3BL



## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

I wish to apply for membership of the Village Sign Society and include cheque/PO payable to the Village Sign Society. I understand membership runs from 1 January to 31 December of each year.

NOTE: Members joining after August will have their membership commencing in the following calendar year, unless they specifically request that it starts immediately backdated to 1 January.

Type of membership: Individual £8/Joint £10 (only one magazine to same address) - *please indicate as appropriate*

Full name(s): Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other

Address:

Postal code:

Email:

Signed:

Date:

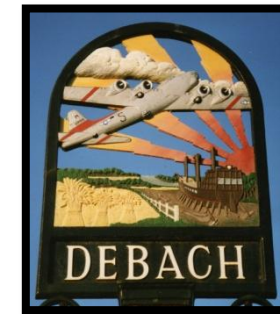
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The Village Sign Society exists for the enjoyment, promotion and archiving of village signs. Members come from all walks of life, regions and ages.

As well as providing a membership for enthusiasts, the Village Sign Society gives guidance to those seeking to set up village signs.

The Village Sign Society maintains information and pictorial archives of all village signs, both past and present, in Britain by means of a dynamic database and photobase.



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