Exhibition reveals a history that is far from dull

BAMPTON is regarded these days as a quiet country town, but delve into its history and you find something completely different.

It was once the second largest town in Oxfordshire and a major Anglo-Saxon centre, with a large royal manor and an impressive minster church.

Its colourful past has also included a violent uprising, brawling in the church and a curate who ended in jail.

These snippets from the town's history formed part of an exhibition which county councillor Geoffrey Fowler, pictured, organised at Bampton Arts Centre with the help of county council archives.



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