START - Walk west from the junction of Oxford Road and Russell Street

THE PAVILION (1929)

Repair and repainting of the building

2 183a OXFORD ROAD (1830s)

New shopfront and repainting

205 OXFORD ROAD (1890s)

New shopfront and fascia board

Cross to the north side of the road using the crossing and walk east to Bedford Road. Cross to the other side of Bedford Road, note new railings and conservation area signs. Continue walking east.

4 84 OXFORD ROAD

New shopfront and windows and

'Oxford Place' stone in brickwork revealed

Walk east along Oxford Road noting the new block paving, continue along Broad Street to Butter Market, turn into Market Place.

SIMEON MONUMENT
(Listed Grade II 1804)
Cleaned and railings repainted

Continue to Town Hall Square.

6 QUEEN VICTORIA STATUE (Listed Grade II 1887)

Cleaned and new chains between bollards

Walk back to Broad Street and walk west as far as Chain Street, turn left and walk into St Mary's Churchyard, note the new lamp posts. **ZINZAN TOMB**Extensive repairs and inscription refreshed

8 HARRINSON CROSS
(Listed Grade II 1887)
Cleaned and inscription releaded

Leave the churchyard, cross using the crossing to the other side of St Mary's Butts.

9 32 ST MARY'S BUTTS New shopfront and windows



Turn right into Castle Street.

1 8 CASTLE STREET

(Listed Grade II early to mid-eighteenth century)

Rendering repaired and building repainted

On Oxford Road turn left, cross the bridge over the IDR and walking west towards Russell Street, look up to see the detail of heritage buildings on both sides of the road.

139 OXFORD ROAD
(Listed Grade II late 1820s)

Repainted heritage shopfront and new fascia board, replacement heritage door, fanlight and windows

Turn left onto Russell Street to admire the 1-2 Hampden Place sign researched, designed and hand painted as part of the HSHAZ project. It replaces a long lost historic wall sign for 'Bonny & King' grocer, wine & spirit merchant and post office in this location.



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A route starting and finishing at the junction of Oxford Road and Russell Street that takes in the properties improved and memorials cleaned and restored as part of the HSHAZ project 2020-2024 in three town centre conservation areas.













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