

<b>Holland on Sea 2018</b>
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**January -****February**

The last week of the month cold with snow and a N.E. wind. On the 28<sup>th</sup> some four inches of snow fell, the beach was covered. Snowboarders used the slopes down to the lower prom. Then more snow which caused drifting blocking roads, with storm Emma. A large number of dead marine life then washed ashore. Crabs, Starfish and shell fish. Probably the worst conditions for about thirty years it is being said.

**March**

Building work has re-commenced at the Sovereign apartments on Kings Parade which after initial activity, have ceased in recent months.

Snow, and later with drifting, is the most severe for some years. Sladbury's Lane and the B1032 to Great Holland were both blocked for two days. Third Avenue also blocked.

**April**

The Easter weather has been the poorest for some years with rain every day.

**May**

The cliffs between Queensway to beyond Kings Avenue are enclosed by low plastic fencing to contain wildlife, prior to cliff works to begin later.

**June**

Sunny, and very dry month, warm but on-shore breezes.

Building work at Sovereign Court is slow, not continuous.

Change of name to Fisher Jones Greenwood from Alistair Keeble solicitors premises on the junction of Frinton Road and Kings Avenue.

Cliff stabilisation works are reported to commence in August.

**July**

Work on Sovereign Court apartments appears to have stopped.

It's a long very warm and dry summer, until a thunderstorm late in the month.

**August**

The good weather continues early in the month.

A Scarecrow Festival staged, joint venture by St. Bartholomew's Church and the Residents Assn. Preparations being made to close the lower promenade for sea defence works. A major section of Hazelmere Road car-park fenced off and accommodation/storage cabins positioned in readiness for the works.

The beach huts have been removed to the car park site.

Sovereign Court work underway again.

The metal WW1 'Tommy' outline to mark the Armistice centenary visited St. Bartholomew's church on its tour of Tendring.

**September**

Foundations for a property are being set out at the former catholic church at Brighton Road.

Further preparatory work to the greensward, for the cliff stabilization works. A section of metal fencing near the Kings Cliff Hotel extends to the roadside kerb.

**October**

The former Roman Catholic Church in Brighton Road has now been demolished. House foundations now being put in.

Major building works at Holland Haven Primary School

**November**

Bungalows under construction on former Roman Catholic Church site

The Holland Haven Beacon lit to mark the centenary of the Armistice of the Great War. Part of a national event.

**December –**

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