

## Dear Members and Friends of Letchworth Settlement

When I became Chair of the Settlement at the end of 2014, I spent a lot of time in the early weeks investigating the history of the Settlement Movement and that of our own Settlement here in Letchworth. One thing which surprised me was that I could not find a book anywhere which dealt *solely* with our Settlement or, indeed, the Settlement Movement in general. Academic papers abound here in the UK and in the USA but no books. One day, I thought.....

Well, the day, or rather the year, is here! 2020 is the Centenary of the founding of Letchworth Adult Educational Settlement and we have decided to produce a book to celebrate our survival for so many years. I managed to persuade a colleague from some years ago, former Herts County Archivist, Dr Kate Thompson (an experienced writer known to many I'm sure) to undertake this for us and she has done so brilliantly! With the help of Roy Evans, retired and last Warden of Letchworth Settlement, Ellen Barnes, Sue Bathmaker and Philippa Parker of the Garden City Society, Steve Elliott from the LALG Local History Research Group, Aimee Flack and Sophie Walter from the Letchworth Garden City Foundation Archives and occasional input from myself, Sonia Weston, Settlement Manager and Sally Rogers, Deputy Manager, the book will be published later this year.

It will be called ***Letchworth Settlement, 1920-2020: A Centenary of Creative Learning*** and published by Hertfordshire -Publications, part of the University of Hertfordshire. The archive of the Settlement is not large, but there are many interesting facts, anecdotes and photographs that beautifully evoke different times in the life of the Settlement, the town and many of the surrounding villages where Settlement tutors also worked. Kate draws these out so well in the book. Publication is set for 1 October 2020 and it will be a treat, I think, to all lovers of our little haven at the end of Nevells Road.

Obviously we need to cover our costs and we hope, as always, to raise some much needed extra funding from the sale of the book, for which Kate is very generously taking no fee whatever. We are therefore offering all our members and friends the opportunity to purchase an advance copy for the sum of £15 (or more if you wish) for which their name will be recorded under a list of 'Patrons' at the back of the book.

We need to provide the publisher with details of numbers required **before the end of March 2020**, so I should be grateful if you would complete the enclosed order form and send it back to us as soon as possible. We will post copies out if requested at an additional cost of £4.50 per book (UK only) Otherwise we will notify you when you can collect your copies from the Settlement personally. This book will be a unique limited edition marking a very special year for the Letchworth Settlement. I do hope you will support us by taking up this advance purchase arrangement which will also acknowledge your personal contribution. Thank you.

Pam Burn – Chair

**Letchworth Settlement, 1920 – 2020: A Century of Creative Learning**  
**By Dr Kate Thompson**



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