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John Dunn, the Stonemason, built four stone pillars at the entrance gates of Glenbrook Park. (He also built the stone cottages in Moore Street opposite Whitton Park.)

Circa

1915 Tennis courts were constructed at Glenbrook Park by Colin Smith: local identity who owned the first car and a race-course near Lennox Bridge. (From

whence material for the courts is said to have come.) Easter tournaments were held, which were very popular.

1920's 'Artistic and Literary Circle' operated at Glenbrook--of some renown at the time. 'Literary Institute' was opened at its present site, ie. Glenbrook Theatre, on 16th December, 1927.

1926-27 The Highway: The main roads board chose the route of the old railway line

for the highway. (The old railway track had been taken up.) This is still the route in use today over the old viaduct, through the old railway cuttings, and right over the site of the original railway station. The avenue of Pin-Oaks, Quercus palustris, which lined the highway at Glenbrook, were planted to commemorate the opening of the highway by the Urban Area Committee: the forerunners of our local Council. Those on the northern side of the highway are a little further out than their original position: having been moved by the DMR when the highway was widened in 1980.

1956 Baby Health Centre opened in Glenbrook Park, 27th July 1956.

Whitton Park dedicated for public recreation: 18th May, 1956. (On early maps it was shown as Glenbrook Gardens.)

1967 Glenbrook Native Plant Reserve dedicated.

1981 The closure of Hamment Street gazetted and in…..

1982, Hamment Street was incorporated into the area of Glenbrook Park. (Hamment Street was a little street running parallel to the Highway between it and the Park. It's name commemorated one of the first families to settle in Glenbrook, and, I understand, is to be transferred to Hamment Place--the layby area where the Tourist Information Board is located.

1985 ? 26th March. Inspection of Glenbrook Park and probable listing of some of it's trees-- (or, in view of its historical significance--block listing of the whole park,)

on the Register of Significant Trees.

1985 ? Tourist Information Centre to be built. Perhaps the many relics of the past will be drawn together to form an interesting tourist package.

Perhaps Glenbrook will remain:- A village well laid out with wide reserves: a cool and quiet retreat for busy city workers: an antidote to city life.