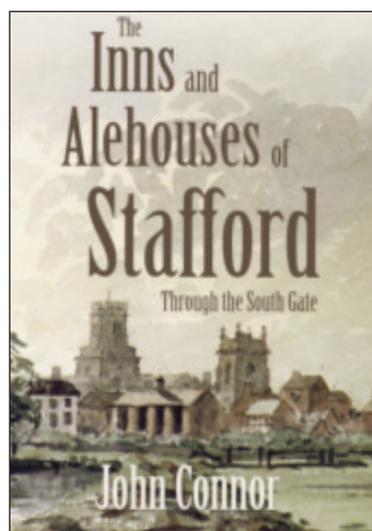




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The Inns and Alehouses of Stafford is the first of two books by Stafford author John Connor. This first volume looks at the drinking establishments within the ancient town's fortified walls and it presents a definitive review of the history of Stafford's beer establishments, owners and the history behind the areas pub names and signs. The book is a mine of information that will appeal to local pub buffs and historians alike.

The entry for the inns and alehouses within the book include a photo of each building, a description of the changes that have taken place to the pub over the years and the names they have been known by. A comprehensive list of licensees of each establishment is also included. This shows who the licensees were, where they came from and where they went to. A short narrative about every inn sign completes each entry – and while many of the pubs have well-known names, there are some delightfully quirky ones to discover within these pages as well.

Pubs have always been the hub of a community and in *The Inns and Alehouses of Stafford* we can learn more about the buildings and owners that have given Stafford drinkers over 460 years of drinking pleasure!

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