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Membership brings many benefits:

- The defence and protection of Buckinghamshire's historic environment:
- The preservation of important local archives on our history and archaeology;
- Support for the County Museum, whose collections the society started;
- An active watch where planning issues affect our heritage.

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- A copy of this journal, Records of Buckinghamshire, in May each year;
- Newsletters in Spring and Autumn about society events and activities;
- A free lecture series in Aylesbury every winter;
- Outings to historic towns, buildings and archaeological sites in summer;
- The chance to play an active part in our Historic Buildings and Active Archaeology groups.

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