

Georgina (Gina) Doherty joined the committee on taking up the post of Society Archivist. She has been a member of the Battle and District Historical Society since the early 1990s, but has only been able to attend meetings regularly following her recent move to Battle. Her family connections to the town go back to the 1780s and probably well beyond - according to family tradition as far as 1066! As a family historian of some thirty years' experience she has consulted and is familiar with archives and records in various locations, including parish documents, wills, census records, military records, medical records and maps. She has recently successfully completed an Honours degree in History with the Open University. Her particular historical interests (apart from family research) are Britain and Europe post 1485, medical history and, of course, anything pertaining to Battle. Having briefly worked in a bank prior to becoming a full time home-maker, she has most recently worked in primary schools – both in school administration and with school Governing Boards advising on their legal responsibilities, being a qualified Clerk to Governors. She has also served as a school Governor herself, including terms as a Chair of Governors and as a Vice Chair, giving her a broad experience of strategic management as well as a good knowledge of state education and Ofsted. She is now retired and volunteers as a museum custodian at Battle Museum of Local History.