

Vault at 88 High Street, Southampton.

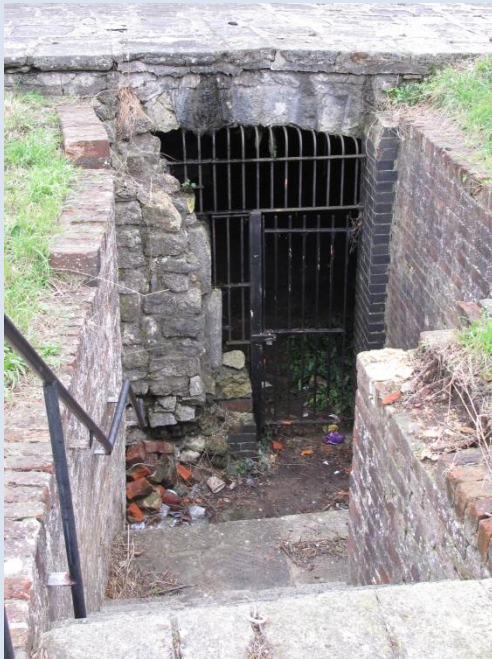


Graffiti Survey summary.

A team from Southampton Archaeology Society visited the vault on the 20th November 2018. The team consisted of G & R James, J & B Webb, M Garner, M South and S & D Stewart.

The Vault is located on the West side of the lower end of the High Street, between Porter's Lane and Quilters Vault. It is a semi-elliptical rubble built vault, 20 metres East to West and 6.5 metres North to South, probably constructed about AD 1330. Possibly used as an Air Raid Shelter during WWII as many of the other vaults were. There appears to be an escape hatch cut into the roof, possibly added after the tragedy of the vault at 94 High Street.

No graffiti was found in this vault, mould and flaky condition of the fabric of the vault would have erased any that may have existed.



Entrance to the rear (west end) of the vault at 88 High Street.

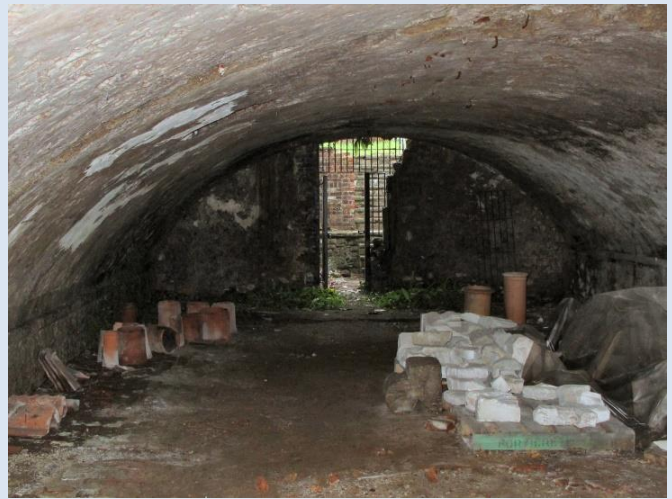


View looking east, the escape hatch can be seen to the right of centre, half way down.



View of east end of vault with added reinforcement to entrance.

View looking west.



Sue & Derek Stewart – 29th November 2018