

## ROUNABOUT VERWOOD

# PAST and PRESENT

### Station Road - The Railway Bridge



Continuing the Railway theme from the last issue, the photo above shows the road snaking towards Cranborne up and over the railway bridge adjacent to Verwood Station. After the line was closed in 1964 the road was then realigned to pass in front of the Albion Hotel on the original route it had taken before the railway came.

Foot passengers reached the station via a flight of steps. Children used to leave their bicycles under the trees on the left in the morning, travel to school by train and

still find them there when they returned from school by train later in the day! The iconic red telephone box is another reminder of a past way of life before the advent of mobile phones.

The view from the same spot today is only really identifiable from the position of the Albion Hotel visible in the centre of the picture above. The winding road is now a short overgrown footpath up the embankment onto the bridge which still stands overlooking the pub garden.

