



Toowong and District Historical Society Inc.

***A Stroll through Brisbane's History in Stone and Brick
Presented by John Siemon***



Guest speaker John Siemon will speak upon aspects of the early history of the settlement on the banks of the Brisbane River, the location of the many sources of building stones and brick clays in the Brisbane area and other parts of the state which allowed the development of many fine buildings which still exist.

ABOUT OUR SPEAKER...

John grew up in Toowong before the family moved to Pullenvale in his high school years. In 1969 he commenced work in the Geological Survey of Queensland after being awarded a BSc in geology from the University of Queensland. In 1976 he was awarded an MSc by James Cook University. Throughout his career he worked mainly on industrial minerals (sand and gravel, aggregates, brick clays, kaolin, bentonite, magnetite, granite and sandstone for building stone, with occasional forays into gemstones) mostly in Queensland with sometime in New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia.

Between 2010 and 2012 John and Friedrich von Gnielinski from the Geological Survey of Queensland wandered the city compiling data for the 34th International Geological Congress "Self-Guided Walking Tour featuring Building Stones throughout the CBD". (There were 6000 attendees). In 2014 an APP - Brisbane History in Stone and Brick was launched; it was a technical success but not widely used. In 2016 the APP was transferred to a new system; however, technical issues have prevented proper development of the product.

Come along and join us...

All are welcome

Where: Toowong Library, top floor, Toowong Village.

When: Friday, 27th March, 2020 from 9.30-12.00 noon

Please stay afterwards and join us for morning tea.

For Enquiries, RSVP and Apologies either email, send a text or phone and leave a message: