

Trade and Industry Activity 2 - Seaside Resorts

Source 1a. Engraving of Worthing beach and Royal Baths, 1849



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Source 1b. Close-up detail of 1a



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Source 2. Engraving of Worthing beach with bathing machines and pier, 1866



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Source 3. Postcard of Worthing beach with bathing machines and pier, c1900



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Source 4a.

Advertisement for West Worthing baths, Long's Worthing Directory, 1892

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THE BATHS,

WEST WORTHING.

OPEN EVERY DAY,
SUNDAYS TILL 10.30 A.M.

THE LARGEST COLD OR TEPID
SWIMMING BATHS
IN ENGLAND FOR LADIES AND
GENTLEMEN.

Private Baths, Hot or Cold, Salt
or Fresh.

CELEBRATED
OZONE BATHS FOR RHEUMATISM.

SEA WATER sent Daily, except Sundays, morning or
evening to any part of the Town.

TENNIS ON THE LAWN OR IN THE SKATING RINK.

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Source 4b. An audio
recording of 4a.

Source 5a.

Advertising card for Harmer's Royal Baths, c1860

HARMER'S

ROYAL

HOT, COLD,
Shower,  Douche,
AND VAPOUR

BATHS,

MARINE PARADE, WORTHING.

Sea Bathing is by all Medical Men regarded as one of
the most simple and efficient means of promoting Health
and Long Life, while at the same time it conduces to per-
sonal comfort, and becomes a positive enjoyment. The
regular use of Sea Water, either by Immersion or for a
Sponging Bath, clears the pores of the skin, and renders it
smooth and supple, and produces that healthy glow which
gives to youth a brilliant complexion.

A PRIVATE WAITING ROOM FOR LADIES.
PORTABLE BATHS OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS
LET ON HIRE.

It is respectfully requested that all Subscriptions may be paid
at the commencement, when Tickets are given.

FURNISHED APARTMENTS TO LET.
[TURN OVER.]

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Source 5b. An audio
recording of 5a.

Source 6a. Extracts from guide books of 1839, 1863 and 1900

Pigot's Directory of Sussex, 1839

Worthing is a sea-port and market town in the parish of Broadwater...56 miles south from London, 20 east from Chichester, and 10 west from Brighton; ...within a mile of the South Down hills, which completely shelter it from the north and east winds, and protect it from that degree of cold in winter to which other bathing places on the coast are subject.....

Its beautiful sands, level as a carpet, compact and hard, extend at least seven miles towards the west, and three to the east; and the pedestrian or equestrian may enjoy on their fine surface the invigorating freshness of the marine breeze.....

The hotels vie with those of the most fashionable watering-places, and the baths are fitted up in a superior style, and with great attention to the convenience of the invalid.

Bread's Guide and Handbook to Worthing, 1863

Pleasure Boats.....are here in every variety. Boating is naturally a much followed amusement of the occasional visitors to the sea-side.....

Next to boating, BATHING is another sea-side amusement, and acknowledged restorative of enfeebled muscles.....The machines for ladies, and those for gentlemen, are placed at distinct portions of the beach.

For those whom health or inclination does not permit exposure to the open wave and wandering breeze, the ROYAL BATHS offer every luxury of Cold, Hot, Douche and Shower.....

Kelly's Directory, 1900 – "Visitor's Guide"

Worthing:

An old-established, favourite and fashionable watering-place, much frequented by families, has a fine sea frontage of more than a mile, and a Pier 1,000 feet long and 30 feet wide, with a spacious pavilion holding 500 persons, in which a Band plays daily. The sands extend nearly ten miles in length, are level, hard and compact, and afford a beautiful ride or walk. Superior Baths and Skating Rink.....

Cheap pleasure tickets are issued to and from Worthing. Branch Offices for Railway information, 17 Marine Parade, and the Pier. Return tickets are issued from London Bridge or Victoria to Worthing.....

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Source 6b. An audio recording of 6a.