

Swanage in World War 2

Visit the display of the A.R.P. Bureau.

Q. What does A.R.P. stand for?

A. _____

This Bureau was housed in the White House on the sea front where the Tourist Information centre is now. There is a collection of artefacts from war-time Swanage in the display. Have a good look at them and answer the questions.



Q. Why do you think the warden is wearing a helmet?

A. _____

Q. Name 2 other items that helped to keep the warden safe.

A. _____



Q. How many gas masks can you find?

A. _____

Bombs often caused fires.

Q. What could a warden use to put out a fire?

A. _____



There are some pieces of metal called shrapnel on the shelf by the window.



Q. What are they? _____

A. _____

In the tall cupboard in the corner is something that warned people in Swanage that enemy planes were coming.

Q. What is it?

A. _____



On the desk are a number of little books that people had to carry with them when they went out or went shopping.

Q. What are they?

A. _____

Turn around and look at the board behind you.

Q. How many major air raids happened in Swanage and how many people were killed?

A. _____

Defences were put on the beach to make invasion more difficult.

Q. What were the concrete blocks called?

A. _____

Q. What else did they put on the beach?

A. _____ Turn round to look at the A.R.P. display. There is a signpost to Swanage on the floor.

Q. It was removed from the side of the road during the war. Why do you think it was removed?

A. _____

Some very important research was going on secretly at Worth, near Swanage.

Q. What was it?

A. _____