## MARYBOROUGH MIDLANDS HISTORICAL SOCIETY WORSLEY COTTAGE RENOVATION



The two front rooms of this historic stone cottage were built in 1894 by Arthur Worsley, a stonemason, who was one of the contractors for Maryborough's Main Drain. The stone was quarried locally, near the Avoca Road. The next two rooms were added in the early years of the 20th Century.

## **REPAIRS COMPLETED**

## Repairs to the foundations and walls of Maryborough's historic Worsley Cottage in Palmerston Street were completed in October 2023.

Although the Worsley Cottage restoration project is finished, it will take volunteers several months to carefully conserve and return the furniture, objects and art work and to set up new displays. We anticipate that the Cottage will be open to the public by February 2024.

Due to the extent of the renovations it was necessary for the contractors to remove quite large sections of the cottage garden, creating a challenge over the coming months for our garden volunteers, who will plan and restore the paths and plants.

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY VOLUNTEERS RETURN TO WORK

Although the Cottage itself will remain closed until 2024, our Society volunteers will return to work in the Research and Display Centre at the rear of the property at 3 Palmerston Street from <u>Thursday November 9<sup>th</sup></u>.

Visitors seeking information or research will be welcome at the usual times: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am to 12 midday and Sunday afternoons from 2pm to 4pm.

Contact details at all times will be as follows:

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