**Mill on the Exe and Exeter Water Engine timeline**

**1550’s** onwards fulling mills set pp on the Exe

**1694** the first water engine was set up on a site adjacent to Exe Street opposite the Blackaller Weir by a consortium led by Richard Longbridge, Jonathan Pyke and Ambrose Cowley

**1798** the Head Weir Mill became a paper mill

**1835** Following the cholera outbreak in Exeter in 1932 a new water supply for Exeter was set up at Pynes so the Exeter Water engine was dismantled and the buildings converted into the Engine House Mill

**1879** the dismembered body of an 8 month old baby, Reginald Hyde, found in the leat beneath

**1882** the Head Weir Mill changed hands a number of times and in 1882 part of the building was destroyed by fire and was re-built in brick

**1967** the Head Weir Mill closed

**1982** the Head Weir Mill was demolished

**1983** the Mill on the Exe was built on the site of the old mill

**Suggestions for potential stories**

The Cholera outbreak and the role of the water engine works

The murder of Reginald Hyde and the trial of Annie Tooke

The Head Weir Bathing Ground

The kind of paper products being manufactured at the Head Weir ill in the 1960’s

The building of the Mill on the Exe including story of how the owner used the bricks from the original mill to build the pub and sod off the surplus bricks (I am trying to validate this story)

The building of Millers Crossing footbridge

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