

## HIDDEN GEMS AND FORGOTTEN PEOPLE

### NAAS LOCAL HISTORY GROUP



#### THATCHED COTTAGE – NEWBRIDGE ROAD

On the Newbridge Road almost hidden from sight behind a profusion of hedge and colourful shrubbery you will find, if you chance to look, a beautiful little cottage nestling there. This is the only such dwelling of its kind in Naas that has survived the passage of time. Thatched houses are a part of our national heritage and are often regarded as an integral part of our Irishness. They are however becoming an increasing rare sight. Although capable of responding to contemporary needs and living standards they do provide a tangible link with the past offering the passer-by the opportunity to appreciate such unique features as undulating wall surfaces, small sash windows and oaten thatch with deep eaves overhanging the walls.