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**The Kings Head Public House, High St, Leatherhead**



The first Kings Head Inn was destroyed by fire 1794 and was rebuilt as above. It stood on the eastern corner of King's Head Alley and jugged out into the High Street. It was described as 'one of the beauties of the town' but people who used to go there said it was a 'long and awkward sort of pub'. It was demolished in 1929.



***The Kings Head (Now an Italian Restaurant)***  
***High Street, Leatherhead c: 1950s***

A Sainsbury's store was built on the old site, now occupied by The Salvation Army Charity Shop and a new King's Head was built on the opposite of the alley on land previously occupied by Webb's the Butcher. It opened in 1930.

The new 'King's Head' building was eventually converted into a shop in the 1960s. For many years it was a Freeman, Hardy & Willis shoe shop, various other retail outlets followed. It is now an Italian Restaurant called the Rialto Lounge.

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