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Anchor Gate		
1897	Demolished	89
Fort Cumberland		
	Commenced by Lord TreTyrawly	44
Fraser Range		
	Former gunnery and radar range adjacent to Fort Cumberland Sold to National Regional Property Group	
2005	Development plans failed	9
2018	New plans for housing development	
Guy's Bastion		
1861	West of Landport Gate	5(76)
Hilsea Arches		
1861	Built	89
1919	London Road to be widened from obelisk to Portsbridge including demolition of Hilsea Arches	95
Hilsea Lines		
1920s	Pergola added at Hilsea Lido to lines on western side	9
1930	Eastern spur rampart to be demolished , material used for filling in ponds and other low spots as part of aerodrome scheme	95
1935	West Demi Bastion War Dept are prepared to sell for £800	95
2000	£450,000 restoration planned	9
Feb-Sep 2001	£200,000 renovation of bastion 1 gunplatform and earthworks, bastion 3 casemates by T.Coleborn & Sons	9
2012	£20,000 woodland grant awarded	
King Edward's Tower		
?	King Edward's Tower	51
?	Round Tower	15
King Georges Gate		
	See St Georges Gate	
King James Gate		
1687	Opened by King James	?
1687	Built at entrance to Point Alternative St James Gate or Point Gate	
1860	Partially rebuilt in Park Road	45,89
1881	Re-erected as entrance to officers recreation ground in Burnaby Road	89
?	Moved to new entrance	
King William Gate		
	Stood across Pembroke Road	
1833/4	Built in lieu of Spur Gate	23,51
16 Jul 1870	Demolished	89
Landport Gate		
1585	Original built	33,45
1760	Present gate built James Hay, mason of Portsea incorporated the Crown keystone from the old gate.	33,45

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Also known as St Thomas Gate

2009

Lion Gate

1777-1871	Stood at top of Queen Street as entrance to Portsea	2,45,89
1871	Re-erected as entrance to Naval Barracks, replaced by new gate, put in store. When later examined was found to be hopelessly damaged	45
1923	Superintending Civil Engineer notified council that the stonework of the gate was to be disposed of asking if council were interested	95
1923	Council declined due to amount of work required moving & redressing	95
4 Jul 1930	New Semaphore Tower in Dockyard opened with remains incorporated	45,89

Long Curtain Battery & Moat

1920	Proposed swimming pool impractical as sewer discharges into moat	95
1938	Public to be admitted to Battery except when required by Army	95
1946	Eastern portion infilled with rubble from air raid shelters	95
1960s	Wooden bridge built across moat on spot of Nelson's last walk to shore	9
Apr 2005	New steel and wood bridge erected	9

Lump's Fort

1887	Used by Royal Artillery	166
1891	Used by Royal Artillery	171
1931	Lumps Fort and land used by St Helens College total 13 acres available from War Office at cost of £45,600	95
1932	War Office is prepared to accept £25,000 for property on condition it is only used as recreation, pleasure grounds, winter gardens, baths	95
1933	Plan to level the site, build hall for 2,000, restaurant & café, museum and Art Gallery, open air pool etc cost £180,000 to £200,000	95
1935	Competition for ideas for development	95
1936	33 designs received, 1 st Wesley Dougill, Liverpool; 2 nd Gilbert Jenkins, London; 3 rd Reginald Poole, Liverpool; 4 th Cameron Kirby, London	95
1936	Development to be considered in 3 years time	95
1937	Detailed plans considered: includes widening of Eastern Parade; turning circle will require demolition of Cumberland House; view from Festing Road to sea to be opened up with sequence of fountains; Café and Dance Hall; underground car park for 250-300 cars, surface car park for 350-400; Swimming Pool; Roller Skating Rink; Tennis Courts; Outdoor Sports with Terrace & Grandstand; Indoor Sports; total cost £225,500	95
1938	Initial work pavilion & café, gardens, waterways and conveniences tender of Kirk & Kirk of Putney, £98,938	95
1947	New paths, flower beds, existing buildings to be converted to kitchen for open air café, public conveniences and bandstand, with car park to west at cost of £12,000	95
1947	Centre to be sealed off, remainder to be laid out as gardens and lawns, cost £3,000 as labour is needed on more important schemes	95
1948	Proposal by J.E.M Williams to lease for 3 years as Playland & Icetime, swings, roundabouts, pedal toys, Punch & Judy or puppets, theatre with ice stage with matron and 2 nurses in charge	95
1948	[1861] Lumps Fort, lavatory accommodation for J.E.M Williams	95
1948	[1898] Lumps Fort, kitchen to admin block for J.E.M Williams	95
1948	[1937] Lumps Fort, childrens lavatories for J.E.M Williams	95
1948	[1965] Lumps Fort, staff lavatories for J.E.M Williams	95
1948-1949	[1936] Lumps Fort, café for J.E.M Williams	95
1948	[2005] Lumps Fort, Nissen hut as cinema for J.E.M Williams	95
1948	[2017] Lumps Fort, Ice Theatre for J.E.M Williams	95

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1949	Agreement with Mr Williams cancelled, new agreement with Lumps Fort Ltd, director John Day	95
1949	Lumps Fort Ltd application from Derek Roy to include John Lester's Midget Town for coming years attractions	95
1950	Lease terminated due to no guarantors being provided	95
1950	J Pearson applied to lease for £1,300 a year for circus, zoo, Neptune's Café, boxing, wrestling, ice shows/skating, ballet	95
1950	Central area to be provided with rose beds, crazy paving, pergola etc £6,710	95
1951	[4474] Pergola and shelters for City of Portsmouth Corporation	95
1955	Ornamental entrance gates purchased from William Hayward & Sons Ltd of Wolverhampton for £127	95
1955	Proposed miniature village by R Frost of Herne Hill, leased from 1957 for seven years at £250 a year See entry under odds	95

Marlborough Gate

1711	Built Moved to Bonfire Corner	
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1770	Duke of Richmond	38
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Prince Edward's Battery

	West Battery of Hilsea Lines	?
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Prince Henry's Battery

	East Battery of Hilsea Lines	?
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Prince William's Battery

	Hilsea lines near Peronne Road	?
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Round Tower

1418	Built	
1536	Known as Master Ridleys Tower after John Ridley	
1815	Heightened	
1850	Heightened	
May 1997	Investigations into crack on seaward side revealed large voids in foundations and stonework	9

St George's Gate, King Georges Gate or Quay Gate

	At entrance to camber	
1734	Built	45
1745	Built	33
1871	Demolished	

Saluting Battery

1897	Sundial repaired and removed to Pembroke Gardens	95
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Sea Forts

1948	Portrait of Edward P Smith, naval architect presented to city by Professor G.R Driver, Magdalen College, Oxford, nephew of architect of the sea forts	95
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Southsea Castle

1544	Built	
1828	Lighthouse built by Admiralty	

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1953	Footpath along seaward side lease renewed for further 21 years at £3 5s per annum to War Dept	95
2005	£1m needed to renovate crumbling brickwork	9

Square Tower

1494	Built as home of Governor of Portsmouth
1584	Converted to gunpowder store
1779	Converted to meat store

Unicorn Gate

1778	Built at the end of North Street	45,89
1855	Drawbridge repaired	89
1865	Taken down and re-erected in Unicorn Road	45
1873	Taken down and re-erected in Unicorn Road	89
1989-2009	Unicorn Road, Dockyard gate	

Drill Halls

Volunteer Regiments

24 Nov 1796	Portsmouth & Portsea Volunteers to be formed	4
Nov 1796	First company of 60 formed Elias Bruce Arnaud elected Captain	4
18 Apr 1797	Portsmouth Loyal Volunteers took oath of allegiance at Government House	4
1801	Portsmouth Volunteers Col Arnaud	4
18 Apr 1797	Portsea Loyal Independent Volunteers took oath of allegiance at Beneficial Society Hall	4
1801	Portsea Volunteers Capt Baker	4
1797	Portsmouth Artillery Corps established at expense of Major Garrett	4
1801	Portsmouth Artillery Volunteers Capt Mottley	4
1801	Royal Portsmouth Garrison Volunteers Major Garrett	4
	All disbanded when threat of war diminished	4

New Regiments

29 Feb 1860	5 th Hampshire Volunteers Captain-Commandant Sir David Thurlow Cunningham designated, resigned over colour of uniform succeeded by Major G.P Vallancy. First meeting at back of barber's shop in Queen Street	4
	Moved to shed in Penny Street	4
Jun 1860	3 rd company formed	4
1861	5 th Hants posted to 2 nd Administrative Battalion	4
1864	5 th Hants Volunteers - Captain Webb	4
1866	Drill Hall built in Hampshire Terrace by Pike Spicer & Co	4
1871	2 nd & 3 rd amalgamated, Commandant Lieut-Colonel Richards, second in command Lieut-Colonel Galt	4
1880	5 th Hants Rifle Volunteers	4
1886	Moved to drill hall in Landport {Alfred Road}	4
	This hall became required by Admiralty in order to expand Naval Barracks	4
	Moved to Stanhope Road	4
	Became 3 rd Volunteer Battalion (Duke of Connaught's Own)	4
1897	Portsmouth Voluntary Infantry Brigade	4
23 Mar 1860	2 nd Hampshire Voluntary Artillery formed at the Athenæum, Bishop Street	4
	Captain Mr Galt	4
1864	Moved to Penny Street	4
1871	2 nd & 3 rd amalgamated, Commandant Lieut-Colonel Richards, second in command Lieut-Colonel Galt	4
1891	Voluntary Corps of Fortress Engineers formed with 2 companies of 100 men	4
	The old drill hall in Hampshire Terrace, vacant for 5 years became the venue	4
	Corps were attached to 1 st Middlesex Engineer Volunteers	4
1895	Acquired site of drill hall and cottage and shop in Grigg Street with view to building a new hall	4
1899	New hall designed by Captain Bevis opened	4

Alfred Road

1886	Hampshire Regiment, 3 rd Volunteer Battalion comprising A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J, K, L, M companies	1
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Hampshire Terrace

1886	Hampshire Regiment 3 rd Volunteer Battalion	1
1887	Headquarters 5 th Hants Portsmouth Volunteers	166

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1892-1907	Headquarters 1 st Hampshire Royal Engineers (Volunteers) for whom it was rebuilt see lettering; 1 st H.R.E.V.	1
1908-1914	Headquarters Hampshire (Fortress) Royal Engineers	1
1923	Headquarters Hampshire (Fortress) Royal Engineers	1
1928-1934	Headquarters Hampshire (Fortress) Royal Engineers & 206 th (Hants) Field Company Royal Engineers (Territorial Army)	1
1936-1937	Headquarters Hampshire (Fortress) Royal Engineers	1
1948	583 (M) H.A.A. Regiment Royal Artillery (Territorial Army) & 17 th © Battalion Royal Hampshire Regiment	1

22 Marmion Road

1886	Hampshire (1 st) Artillery (Hants & Dorset), comprising 18 batteries	1
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St Pauls Road

Built in 1897/8, designed by architect A.E Cogswell to replace smaller premises in Marmion Road.

1899-1901	Hampshire (2 nd) Volunteer Artillery	1
1902-1907	Hampshire (2 nd) Royal Garrison Artillery Volunteers (Southern Division) Headquarters 1908-1914 1 st Wessex Brigade Royal Field Artillery (Headquarters)	1
1923	54 th Wessex Brigade Royal Artillery (Territorial Army)	1
1928	54 th Wessex Brigade Royal Artillery (213 th Hampshire & 214 th Hampshire) Battalions (Territorial Army)	1
1934-1938	57 th Wessex Brigade Royal Artillery (213 th Hampshire & 214 th Hampshire) Battalions (Territorial Army)	1
1948	457H.A. Regiment Royal Artillery (Territorial Army) & 130 Field Ambulance Royal Army Medical Corp (Territorial Army)	1
1956-1976	Portsmouth Drill Hall Later St Pauls Gym for Portsmouth University	1

Stanhope Road

Architect A.H Bone

Converted to nightclub Liquid & Envy

2017	Revamped at cost of £1m and renamed Pryzm by Deltic Group	9
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