All change at town 29% museum

THE first woman curator has been appointed to the Cowle Museum at Stroud.

Susan Hayward (29) will be taking the place of Lionel Waldrond in October.

Mr Waldrond has worked at the museum in Lansdown Road for more than 37 years and is retiring to study family history.

The biggest task facing Miss Hayward will be to organise a move to bigger premises when a suitable building is found.

"My biggest job will be the removal of 20,000 items to a new centre store," she said.

Miss Hayward is a graduate of London University and began her career as an archaeologist.

More recently she has been designing building displays for museums in Somerset.

"I am really exited about my move to Stroud," said Miss Hayward.

"The collection is marvellous and there is so much scope for temporary displays – not just in the museum but in other public buildings throughout the district," she said.