## The Beatles and the Dark Side of the Road

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View of Ajaccio (with the Beatles), Léon-Charles Canniccioni

In the first verse of his poem, Annus Mirabilis, Philip Larkin writes: 'Sexual intercourse began/In nineteen sixty-three (which was rather late for me)—Between the end of the Chatterley ban/And the Beatles' first LP.'

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