

THE ICKLETON SOCIETY

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 11th February 2020 At 38 Frogge Street at 8.00pm

Present: Rachel Radford, Madelaine Smith, Clare Driver, Fiona Rose, Jo Bellamy, Glynis Hammond, John Fowler, Andrew Shepperd

1. Apologies for absence – Hugh Molloy
2. Minutes of the previous meeting approved and signed.
3. Matters arising – none.
4. Correspondence – none.
5. Finance report
 - Funds stand at £1,657.51, membership income for year to 31/3 £975.
 - It was agreed that **Andrew** be given a budget of £400 to purchase a Czur overhead document scanner.

6. Archive report

Other

- **A14** – research to update the Chronicle -c/f
- **A16** –indexing the church records in the vestry cupboard- c/f until warmer weather.
- **A17-** conservation of Gertrude Chamberlain's album -**Madelaine** has had a preliminary discussion with someone at Anglesey Abbey who is happy to take a look at the album and give us some advice. To discuss further with her.

7. Events and Activities

- **E71 – wine tasting** – 53 people attended, was enjoyed by all and very well received.
- **E74 –Cemetery chapel** – c/f – we may have enough dust sheets now. Will review use later in year. Work begun on windows.
- **E79 – Litter Pick – Clare** to do piece for Icene, including photo of last year if possible and she will kindly organise the event as usual. She has produced certificates for children and young people who do exceptional work for the village such as at these events.
- **E76 – Orwell History Society Walk** – arranged for 30th June 2020 starting at 7pm; if too early for Paul, may include a walk around village before his talk.
- **E77- AGM**-room booked and speaker Dr Patricia Fara whose topic will be Science and Suffrage in WW1.
- **E78 – VE Day exhibition** – the meeting room is booked and there was discussion concerning the importance of capturing people's personal experiences. We will put a request in Icene for people to share their memories.
- **E80 Archaeological Fieldwalking** –some interesting finds, flints, medieval pottery and the top stone of a quern which could be Roman.

- **E81 –Archaeological dig and visit to Abbey Barn** – arranged for 4th June. The team are only available around that week. A set time to visit the Barn will be agreed.

8. Development Pressures

- Uttlesford Local Development Plan – has been rejected
- SSE – expansion refused by Uttlesford DC
- Genome Campus – now approved
- Agri-tech hub – still pending
- A505 development, motorway service station, car showrooms, Duxford expansion will all be considered as part of the next Local Plan, which will be part of the Greater Cambridge Plan now. Members were urged to visit the website and comment on the issues that are part of the consultation process.

9. Local Planning

Concerns were expressed about the state of Back Lane in wet weather due to lorries and the consequent danger to older residents who use the lane to cross the village .

- 10. Items for Icene and Website** –Litter Pick, save the date for AGM, request for VE Day memories.

11. Any Other Business **None**

- 12. Next meeting** – Tuesday 31st March 2020 at 7 Brookhampton Street. Andrew was thanked for his hospitality.