THE ICKLETON SOCIETY

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 30 April 2014 At 5 Priory Close at 7.30pm

Present: Neil McKillen, Madelaine Smith, Rachel Radford, John Fowler, Andrew Shepperd, Clare Driver and Rosie Macdonald.

- 1. Apologies for absence Clare Driver.
- 2. <u>Minutes</u> of the previous meeting approved and signed.
- 3. <u>Matters arising</u> following the piece in Icene, unfortunately no-one has volunteered to fill the vacancy on the Committee. Committee members will approach potential members to see if they are interested.
- 4. <u>Correspondence</u> the usual magazines have been circulated.

5. Finance report

- Funds stand at £658.26. The accounts have been drawn up and audited. Membership renewals for next year have started to come in.
- **F2 Andrew** has converted the Chronicle and it is almost ready to go on Amazon. Agreed to charge £5 per copy.
- **F9** the scan of the Enclosure map has been received. **Rachel** to arrange printing together with copies of the Luftwaffe photos. Rosie recommended using heavy weight paper, laminated on both sides. This would still roll up and would protect the map when put on display.
- **F10** the Village Hall Committee is arranging for the meeting room (now named the Gordon Woolhouse room) to be redecorated and this will provide an opportunity for pictures to be put up on the walls. **Andrew** to talk to Pam.
- **John** will arrange for Madelaine to replace Neil as a signatory to the bank account.

6. Oral and Visual History

- O1 Clare has recorded a very good video interview with Ray Plumb. Clare to return to complete it as he has more stories. Clare is aiming to do 2 interviews a month. Clare to arrange for interviews with Ray and Willie Gough to be typed up.
- **O2** some of the older children in the village are keen to get involved. **Clare** to arrange practice sessions.
- O3 Clare to reword the consent form to make it optional to put recordings on the website.

7. Archive report

Photos:

- **P1, P3** Willie Gough has lent Clare her photos of the Church fire and other photos and papers for copying. **Clare, Andrew, Rachel** to arrange to copy them.
- **P5** c/f. **Clare** to have one more go at trying to borrow the film.
- P6 Andrew to negotiate a price with the firm at Bar Hill. Lynn to edit the videos.
- **P9 Rachel** to arrange for large copies to be printed at the same time as the Enclosure map. About the same size as the other aerial photos or whatever size the printing firm recommends for good quality.
- **P10** c/f.

Land and Fields:

- L1 Andrew has made a start on an explanation of the Heath Field terrier. He has taken some photos of the various lanes and ways. Rita Sullivan has helped collate the amount of land held by various landowners. **Andrew** to complete this and put on website with the terrier and Sheila's transcript.
- L4 almost complete. Papers awaiting filing.

Other:

- A2 c/f.
- A3 Neil has this underway. Andrew to photograph Bob Millson's map showing WW1 battlefields and Billy Miller's WW1 memorabilia. Rachel to get WW1 archive photographs copied for a display for the AGM. Rachel has extracted military records for some lckleton residents who served in WW1 from Ancestry and passed them on to Neil. Rachel to let Lewis Duke know that we support the Parish Council's proposal to plant 16 trees on Coploe Hill in memory of the men who died and are commemorated on the War Memorial.
- A4 c/f
 - **A6 Lynn** to talk to Rosie about continuing this work.
- A7 Andrew is continuing to add to the database of people which is now live on the website. Any data that is in a spreadsheet and machine readable can easily be added. In due course would like to add national and local events to create a timeline.

8. Events and Activities

- Farmers' Evening E1 c/f perhaps to August or after harvest.
- Litter Pick E13 another successful event thanks to Clare.
- Wine Tasting E12 very successful and enjoyed by all.
- Summer Walk E14 Rachel has finalised the route with Peter and Lewis and publicised it. Madelaine to buy drinks and cups. Lynn will lend a picnic table if necessary. Rachel to arrange to take refreshments up to Rectory Farm on the day.
- **AGM E15** speaker and the hall booked. **John** to get the key for about 6.45pm and pay the speaker. **Rosie** will get the wine. **Madeliane** will pick up wine glasses. There may be soft drinks left over from the walk. **Everyone** to bring a few nibbles. **Lynn** to give the vote of thanks to the speaker. Agreed to give Ken Worthing a bottle of wine as a thank you for doing the audit for about 14 years.
- **Hinxton Mill E16 Rachel** has been in touch with Cambridge Past and Present but they are very bad at replying and she has heard nothing more for a while. Leave for now.
- **E17** Rachel's friend from Queensland doesn't know enough about Sir Robert Herbert's work there to give a talk to our members while she is in the UK in June.
- **E18 Rachel** to arrange a date with Peter and Sian Wombwell, possibly a weekday evening in June or July.

9. Development Pressures

- Uttlesford Local Development Plan (**D3**) Uttlesford are putting together their plan for final consultation.
- South Cambs Local Plan (**D2**) submitted to the Government Inspector.
- Stansted nothing to report.

10. Local Planning

- Land W of Gurners the next application is going to Planning Committee next week.
- Headless Duck application for a rear extension.
- Caldrees application to fell conifers at the entrance after one fell into Butcher's Hill in February.
- 11. <u>Items for Icene and Website</u> May walk, AGM, Baulks visit, What's New on the Website.

12. Any Other Business

- The Committee thanked Neil for all he has done for the Society.
- **Rosie** will design options for a logo and letterhead for the Society, possibly based on the village sign.
- Madelaine will represent the Society on the Village Hall Committee.
- Nomination forms for Committee for 2014/15 completed.
- 13. Next meeting 25 June at Lynn's at 7.30pm. Neil was thanked for his hospitality.