THE ICKLETON SOCIETY

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 4 March 2014 At 38 Frogge Street at 7.30pm

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

- 1. Apologies for absence Lynn Parsons.
- 2. Minutes of the previous meeting approved and signed.
- 3. <u>Matters arising</u> none.
- 4. <u>Correspondence</u> the usual magazines were being circulated.
- 5. <u>Finance report</u> funds stand at £495.91. An invoice from Secol for archive materials had been paid as well as £170 as our contribution to the information board in tribute to Sheila.

F11 – it was agreed to increase subscriptions for 2014/15 to £6 per person and £15 per family. **John** to update the subs letter in time for the litter pick. **Rosie** to update the welcome letter and contact John Williams about placing this and the subs form as a full page advert in the April Icene.

F2 – c/f.

F9 – a scan of the Enclosure map has been ordered. Printing to be arranged separately. **F10** – the picture donated by Willie Gough has been framed. **Andrew** is considering other pictures which could be put up in the Village Hall, perhaps on a rotating basis.

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. Some of Bill and Gill Holgate's photos recently copied.
- **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.
- **P8** completed.
- **P9** Andrew has put the Luftwaffe photos on Gallery and written a piece about them which is on the website. **Andrew, Rachel** to arrange for large copies to be printed, perhaps at the same time as the Enclosure map.
- P10 c/f.

Land and Fields:

- L1 Andrew has made a start on an explanation of the Heath Field terrier. Planning to take photos of the various lanes and ways, compare the terrier with the 1795 and Enclosure maps and summarise the holdings of the major landholders.
- **L4** c/f.
- L7 the second copy of the 1795 map has been printed. Andrew, Madelaine and Rachel to collect it on 20 March and arrange to look at more items in the Clare College archive.

Other:

- A1 treat as closed.
- A2, A4 − c/f.
- A3 Neil has this underway. No response to request in Icene for information about residents who fought in WWI. Bob Millson has a large map showing WW1 battlefields.
 Andrew to photograph it. Aim to put together a display, including of WW1 photos that we have in the Gallery, for the AGM.
- A6 a start has been made on the old planning papers.
- 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 Clare has arrangements in hand. Any contributions to refreshments would be welcome.
- Wine Tasting E12 Neil has arrangements in hand. 11 tickets left. Anyone who can arrive early to help set up will be welcome.
- Retro Coach Trip E9 Clare has spoken with the bus company. They cannot get insurance for trips out of daylight hours.
- Summer Walk E14 Rachel has had a word with Lewis and will make arrangements for a route and venue for a picnic in due course. It will depend on crops and nesting birds.
- **AGM E15** speaker and the hall booked. Other arrangements to be made at the next meeting.
- **Hinxton Mill E16 Rachel** investigating the possibility of a private visit, perhaps in early July.
- **E17 Rachel** to see if her friend from Queensland and knows about some of Sir Robert Herbert's work there, might be able to give a talk to our members while she is in the UK in June.

9. Development Pressures

- Uttlesford Local Development Plan (D3) Uttlesford completed their second consultation.
- South Cambs Local Plan (**D2**) awaiting agreement of the full council before submission to the Government Inspector.
- Stansted nothing to report.

10. Local Planning

- Methodist Chapel permission finally granted.
- Wall at rear of Norman Hall permission granted for repair with internal blockwork.
- 11. <u>Items for Icene and Website</u> membership advert, litter pick, AGM, May walk, WW1 information, election of Committee members.
- 12. <u>Any Other Business</u> Neil announced his intention to stand down at the AGM due to work commitments. The Committee was very sorry to learn of this and thanked him for all he had done for the Society.
- 13. Next meeting 30 April at Neil's at 7.30pm. Andrew was thanked for his hospitality.