

THE ICKLETON SOCIETY

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19th November 2019 At 83 Abbey Street at 8.00pm

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

1. Apologies for absence – Andrew Shepperd
2. Minutes of the previous meeting approved and signed.
3. Matters arising – none.
4. Correspondence – copies of the newsletter of Open Space, a new organisation we have subscribed to, were circulated.
5. Finance report
 - Funds stand at £1,779.29, a new couple joined at the Village Hall Open Day and several others took leaflets.
 - It was agreed that we would purchase a scanner to ease copying photos and **Andrew** will be asked to research and report back with cost. Will be useful when we start work on the church documents.
6. Archive report

Photos:

 - **A11 –c/f**

Other

 - **A14** – there was discussion about how to integrate new material with the original. It was felt that it should be chronological and it should be made clear where new material had come from. A timeline of events in the wider world to put the information in context was proposed.
 - **A15** –Re-photograph postcards – **Rachel** had reviewed the photos and felt this was no longer necessary. They are now on the Gallery.
 - **A16** –indexing the church records in the vestry cupboard- agreed to leave until new year. We would each take a batch and a common spreadsheet would be set up to keep the data consistent.
 - **A17- Madelaine** to seek guidance from conservation staff at Anglesey Abbey re Mrs Bowen's albums, which need some attention.
7. Events and Activities
 - **E73 – November talk-** final details discussed, **John** to organise drinks and nibbles. A donation of £50 was suggested towards their work.
 - **E74 –Cemetery chapel** – some covers had been installed but more are needed – **Clare** to continue to search some out and will also provide tarpaulin for bier It was decided that in the new year we would consider a midsummer event or an art exhibition in the chapel.
 - **E75 – New Year's Day Walk** – a route was agreed, **Fiona** agreed to lead and **Clare** to co-ordinate refreshments. Soup and helpers needed.

- **E76 – Orwell History Society Walk** – planned for June 2020, may include a walk around village beforehand depending on timing.
- **E77- AGM**-usually second Wednesday in May, **Rachel** to book room, **Madelaine** to contact possible speakers.
- **E78 – May Day Walk** – it was proposed that we hold one next year, **Rachel** to research possible routes.

8. Development Pressures – all in abeyance due to General Election

- Uttlesford Local Development Plan
- SSE
- Genome Campus
- Agri-tech hub
- A505 development, motorway service station, car showrooms, Duxford expansion and Marshalls will all be considered as part of the next Local Plan

9. Local Planning

Nothing currently.

10. Items for Icene and Website –New Year’s Day Walk, the wine tasting, the Hundred Parishes, soup and helpers for walk, teatowels etc as Christmas gifts.

11. Any Other Business

Telephone box –needs some attention to repair display board on door, **Madelaine** to speak to Ian Lester. Paper copies of photos etc need to be laminated due to rain/condensation. Ways to encourage villagers to notice the displays were discussed, including putting a question in Icene which required people to look at the phone box for the answer and putting objects in the box, not necessarily linked to the text or topic.

Glynis also raised the idea of an I-Spy type book to be compiled at some time in the future.

12. Next meeting – Tuesday 11th February 2020 at 38 Frogge Street, **subject to Andrew’s agreement. John** was thanked for his hospitality.