

Fleetville Diaries Committee Minutes

Nov 13th 2012, 40 Arthur Road 7.30pm

Present: PE, LB, MN, LH.

1. Matters arising from last meeting's minutes.

Liz met with the Fleetville Festival Committee about having a Fleetville email contact list and reduced-rate insurance but with no success. We will probably go ahead and purchase an insurance policy in the summer. £1 of each fee collected will go towards our policy costs. Liz has met with Lin Keen to discuss the possibility of joining the St Albans guided walk programme but, without Blue Badges, that is not possible. We will just proceed with our walks within Fleetville. The Big Quiz didn't go ahead – the cost and timing during half term were issues. Mike has heard that Sheila Burton, who chairs the Fleetville Community Centre Committee, intends to go ahead with the interpretation board independent of SADC. Guest speakers have been booked for 2013 (see programme attached). Mike sent invoices in from last meeting.

2. Invoices

Liz invoiced for stationery, receiving a cheque for £15.88. Mike invoiced for the purchase of publicity banners and received a cheque for £159.98.

3. Review of Action Plan 2012

Highlighting 'completed' and 'incomplete' plans, we discussed what to take forward and what to drop. Last year's plan was a little too ambitious so 2013's plan has rather more achievable targets which include review and management of the website and archive 'backlog'. The 'Fleetville - Home from Home' project is largely complete and will continue as a regular feature of oral history work. In 2013 there will be an emphasis on working with young people and encouraging FD members to talk/write about their family histories.

4. Annual Report and accounts for 2012

A few amendments were made to the report and it was pointed out that we should show a distinction between annual subscriptions and casual fees collected for individual events. The accounts for the past 12 months were approved. For the first time, we have been able to show the October NatWest bank statement. The FD balance is £501.07.

5. Next year's activities and programme of events. (See next page.)

There were just a few adjustments to the programme for next year. The members' trips have not been booked yet.

6. A date for the next meeting will be set in the New Year.

January 30 th 2013	Jeff Lewis guest speaker, The Smallford Station Project
February 27 th	Christopher Blow guest speaker, Percival Blow.
March 17th	Fleetville Festival, Fleetville Home from Home exhibition
March 27 th	Sandy Norman guest speaker, The History of Sopwell.
April 24 th	Peter Trevelyan guest speaker, St Albans Civic Society
May 29 th	Made in Fleetville guided walk
Saturday, June 15th	Members' trip to the Mosquito Museum
Saturday, June 29 th	1 st Laid to Rest in Fleetville guided walk
June 30 th (tentative)	Larks in the Parks, Fleetville Home from Home exhibition
July 31 st	Living in Fleetville guided walk.
August 28 th	Shopping in Fleetville guided walk.
Saturday, September 28 th	2 nd Laid to Rest in Fleetville guided walk.
Sunday, October 13th	Members' trip to the <i>Theatre Organ Museum</i>
October 30 th	Social Event for all our oral histories interviewees.
November 27 th	AGM and membership renewal, Members' stories, Meet my Ancestor.
December 18th	Carol Singing