

Welcome to Fleetville Diaries!

7.30 Thursday October 28th 2010

Present: Diana, Paul, Howard, Lorraine, Vic, Vera, Ann, Hugh, Mike, Liz.

Apologies: Cathy and Peter

Liz's slot – Report back from Committee Meeting and future plans.

The website is up and running at last! Liz reported back on the successful committee mentioning that the proposed constitution will be sent to CVS for scrutiny. She has contacted the Review and an item about FD will appear on the Review website. Derek Nash is writing up his memories of Ballito. Doris Butlin has been interviewed and transcription is under way. It is proposed that FD works with Woodville Ladies on Mike's Hatfield Road shop naming project. The projects that we need to work on are *Working Life in Fleetville*, *Worship* and *Ethnic Diversity*.

- Liz to approach David Mills for interview.
- Liz to arrange shop naming activity with Woodville Ladies.

Mike's slot – A childhood in Fleetville

Mike read to us from 'The Routes to School' – some memories of his childhood in Fleetville. Fascinating! Thanks, Mike.

- Mike to email this account to Liz for publication on FD website.

Lorraine's slot – a neighbour's memories

Lorraine read to us from notes made during conversations with Margaret Finnigan of Castle Road who used to work at Marconi Instruments. Many thanks for some interesting details.

Members' news.

Mike has some memoirs of Fleetville written by David Payne of the Hopkins family which others of the group might like to look over.

Howard spoke at some length about the lost railway lines of St Albans. Many thanks.

£10 was collected. Funds are now £38.74.

Date and agenda of the next FD meeting

November 16th will be our last actual meeting this year. Mike is bringing some photos for us to consider. Liz may have a new guest who worked at Marconi's and whose wife worked at Ballito.

On December 16th, the Fleetville Festival Choir will be going carol sing around Fleetville and all members are cordially invited to join in. Meet at 6.15pm, then Morrisons, Queens Court, Salisbury Avenue and back to the Community Centre.