

# MALDENS AND COOMBE HERITAGE GROUP

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 12<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2012

AT NEW MALDEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Mary welcomed all members (16) to the meeting and thanked Marion for arranging the venue.

There were apologies for absence from Chris Coke, Martin Maggs and Michael Wood, and Mary greeted new member Pat Farr.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

The constitution of the society had been distributed amongst the members, and was adopted proposed by Peter and seconded by Gwenda.

Subscriptions were then collected at a rate of £12 for 6 months and £24 for a year. In total £265.00 was collected, and afterwards £20 of this money was given over as a donation for the hire of the church room.

Other than the above donation, there were no items of expenditure.

Mary introduced Helen Bottomley from The Heritage Lottery Fund, who had come to address the society on all aspects of making an application for funding. She stated that the Kingston area was regarded as a priority borough (until March 2013) and they had had at the present time, few if any applications from local organisations. It would be a competitive process even for the smallest amount (£3000). We would be using "Heritage Skills" such as researching, archiving and teaching, and the whole process must demonstrate a "hands on" ability. We had completed and submitted the pre-application form, and the next step was deciding on a theme on which we should focus. After discussion and input from Julian, it was decided that we would concentrate on the shops of the local area. We also had to prepare a budget to show how the funds we had applied for would be used. Helen stressed there was no cap on applications, and we should take one thing at a time. Mary thanked Helen for her help, and told her we would be in contact to arrange a meeting before we submitted our completed application.

AOB: Mary raised the question of membership cards and a logo for the society. It was decided to pursue the possibility of using the old Borough (Malden and Coombe) in some form. Geoffrey asked whether a map could be produced showing the area the society covered. Mary stated that she would be applying for a table on behalf of the society at the craft fair to be held in St Georges Square later in the year.

The date of the next meeting was fixed as 10<sup>th</sup> October, again at the Baptist Church starting at 7pm.