

MALDENS AND COOMBE HERITAGE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 26th JUNE 2013

AT NEW MALDEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Mary greeted all members (33).

There were apologies for absence from: Shaan and Tim Everson, Gwenda Lloyd, Tim Rothwell, Keith and Diane Cooper, Geoffrey Hunt and Jen Carpenter.

There were two new members Susan Brown and Toby Ewin

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Mary thanked the church for the use of their meeting place, and for their catering facilities.

We were hoping to produce a calendar for sale at the end of the year and to that effect members were asked to select suitable views from a selection presented to them. Costings would be taken and reported back at the next meeting.

As the AGM was next month (August) as per our constitution, it was proposed that the following year this important meeting should be held in September to enable more members to attend and leave August free for holidays. The required amendment to the constitution was carried on a simple show of hands.

The AGM would be held next month and it was hoped that all existing committee members would be willing to stand for a further year. Nomination papers were issued to all members as each officer had to be nominated and seconded. Papers were asked to be returned asap certainly before the AGM the following month.

Graeme Hodge then presented the second part of his very interesting talk "They Shall Not Grow Old" concerning local people (men and women) who had lost their lives in the First World War and were commemorated on the various war memorials in the borough. Graeme was able to tell us the average age of those who died, what period of the war they died in, and what was the cause of death. With slides showing pie charts and illustrations Graeme really brought home the suffering that many local families had to deal with as a result of this conflict. With the anniversary of the start of the First World War nearly upon us, Graeme's work will be an invaluable source of reference for Kingston and Malden.

During AOB Mary mentioned that the fate of Barton Green Pavilion would probably be decided at the Policy and Resources Committee meeting on 26th September.

The meeting closed with the next planned for Wednesday 7th August which would be our AGM.