

4th June 2019 meeting of Feltham History Group

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The Chairman opened proceedings with his customary welcome continuing with an Item of interest concerning a local artist, Victor West – this was brought to our attention via a article in a local paper which concerned a ‘wall mural’ that has been uncovered at Fairholme Junior School, in addition to a request for further information a desire was expressed to restore the mural to its former glory.

Then following item concerned a request for cine-film taken between the dates 1950-1980 at London/Heathrow Airport; the request came via Howard Asbridge of Avion Video LLP (01822 860378) and those who may have such film may first like to donate to Hounslow Local Studies so as it could be documented

The next item was an update on the use of the Marshalling Yard site upon which a Train Servicing Yard is to be constructed. The Secretary attended an exhibition at St Giles Hotel where further detail on the proposal was available through a display and consultation with members of the construction team, whereas the project was in itself not too obtrusive a concern was access to the site; given that much building had taken near to the ex yard resulting in any proposed access point being a ‘bone of contention’ – it would appear that the only road access was the small lane that leads to the Railwaymen’s Associations Club,, which, as it was pointed out, was of limited width and its suitability for large vehicles to proceed without proving a deterioration in the surface of the lane.

The Secretary further reported that he had been contacted by Phil Wood MCIOB who is the Project Manager (Chartered

Construction Manager) for the Train Concentration Yard who requested a short history of the site (to be arranged)

Under forthcoming Events members were made aware of:

- an invitation to join (10th June) the Green Gym (Hilary and Roger Paritt) at the Pevensey Road Nature Reserve and lead a history walk and have a guided tour of the nature reserve.

Members were informed of certain events, they being:

- 15th June 11-30 -4pm St Dunstan's Church history display
- 22nd June 11-00 -4pm St Mary's Bedfont history display
- 29th June 2pm Christ Church which in addition to various displays a talk on the horticultural seeds-man and grower Sir Harry Veitch which is organised with Caradoc Doy, Horticulturist, Gardening Speaker and Researcher
- Two walks have been organised for the following dates:
 - Sunday 11th August 2pm 'The Mills at Baber Bridge
 - Sunday 25th August again 2pm a walk around the 'Upper District' (High Street area) of Feltham 'see website for further details'

The short talk for the evening was given by Roger Cowing on the full 12 Miles of The Longford River (detail on website)

Next meeting Tuesday 3rd September 2019