## Feltham History Group AGM Tuesday 1st April 2025

The meeting comprised of the AGM and April meeting and was called to receive the reports for fiscal year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 and to elect Officers to serve for the coming fiscal year.

The Chair observed the customary welcome together with opening remarks followed by submission of reports by Officers. Following the submission and approval of the reports the Chair dissolved the current Committee to allow nomination for a new Committee as set out under the Group's Constitution. Following which the Hon Secretary conducted proceedings to elect a chair for the forthcoming fiscal year, upon election of such [chair] the Honorary Secretary handed proceedings to the newly elected Chair who then resumed election of other executive posts.

## **Officers Reports**

- 1) Chair's Report 'events and proceedings fiscal year' 2024/25 (TF)
- 2) Secretaries Report (forthcoming events) 2025/26 (AR)
- 3) Treasurers Report 2024/25 (TF)

Secretary will then call for nomination for Chair of the group for the coming year, following election of which the Secretary handed further proceedings to the new Chair who called for nominations for the following posts: - Secretary, Treasurer, Vice Chair, Assistant Secretary, Assistant Treasurer & Membership Secretary,

The following were elected to serve for fiscal year 2025/26

Chair: proposed Angela Parton seconded Ray Edwards that Jane Fredjohn to serve as Chair

<u>Hon Secretary:</u> proposed Angela Parton and seconded by Ray Edwards that **Alan Rice** to serve as Hon Secretary

<u>Treasurer</u>: proposed by Angela Parton and seconded by Ray Edwards that Tony Fredjohn to serve as Treasurer

<u>Vice Chair:</u> proposed by Angela Parton and seconded by Ray Edwards that **Will Horgan** to serve as Vice Chair

Assistant Secretary: 'no nomination'

<u>Assistant Treasurer:</u> proposed by Angela Parton and seconded by Ray Edwards that **Roger Griffiths** serve as Assistant Treasurer

<u>Membership Secretary:</u> proposed by Angela Parton seconded by Ray Edwards that **Mike Parsons** to serve as Membership Secretary

<u>Feltham History Group Secretaries report 2025/26</u>, forthcoming meetings, talks walks and other events.

The monthly meetings will continue 'as published on our website' together with other activities of the 'group' for fiscal year 2025/26. With regard our Spring Talks the venue is confirmed as St Dunstan's Church, Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April when a talk will be presented by members entitled 'Feltham Worthies pt1' with on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May pt 2 Feltham Worthies. Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June has been set as our annual display at St Dunstan's Church, plus we hope to be participating in Feltham Green Fete 'date'? and Feltham Fete (Feltham Assembly Rooms

We are also planning Three walks during the months of July, August and September; the walks will not be too arduous but stout shoes are advised together with utility garments and a kit bag full of vitals! They will be planned as to a circular nature 'where possible'; the first of which will Sunday July 20th Feltham Town Walk, with on Sunday August 17<sup>th</sup> Hatton Walk and on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> 'September' Feltham Village Walk. All walks are free

Short Talks, 'monthly' meetings are as follows (provisional)

April 1st

May 6th

June 3rd

July

August

September 2<sup>nd</sup>

Looking Back TF

Centenarians TF

The Jones's RE

'no meeting'

'no meeting'

Concorde WH

October 7<sup>th</sup> Local Musicians JF

November 4<sup>th</sup> Remembrance talk (TF)

December 2<sup>nd</sup> Lord Vere's 1738 Estate Map AR

February 3<sup>rd</sup> 2026 tba

March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2026 Vicars and Minsters of Religion of Feltham TF

Following election of Officers and agreement as to reports being a true and correct account of the group's proceedings the April meeting commenced

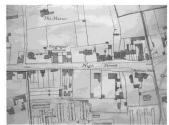
## April meeting - Tuesday 1st April 2025

The Chair's introduction consisted of a reminder as to annual subscriptions for year 2025/26 being due. (the opening image was of the groups attendance at the 2001 Bedfont Lakes Country Fair)



Under 'Items of interest' the Secretary spoke of work that was being undertaken in the churchyard of St Dunstan's where upon removal of various shrubs and weeds that had proliferated due lockdown a memorial to a long since departed Feltham family was found – that being one Mrs Louisa Newbury and her husband Robert Newbury whose husband was Master Butcher from Croydon – they having lived at Manor Lodge which was a fairly large house situated in the high street [numbered at a later date as nr 98] and as the headstone revealed was known as Manor Lodge. The Newbury family having lived in the house from the 1870's to the 1920's







The second item of interest was in reference to the 'Quakers Estate' – this came via an email from one Paul Baker who enquired as to the house where he lives as being on the 'Quakers Estate. The estate in question consists of Kings, Queens and Cromwell Road.

The final enquiry was from one Victoria Oakley of 'Heritage London' who was requesting information of the Minimax Fire Extinguisher Company



Victoria, in addition to receiving a short history of Minimax, was advised to contact Hounslow Council with particular regard to the retention [in its current position] and indeed the care and protection of the 'art-deco' edifice.

Under Forthcoming events the chair provided detail of Spring talks which will take place at St Dunstan's Church; the dates for which are Saturday 26th April entitled Feltham Worthies pt 1 and on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May Part 2 Feltham Worthies. Additionally, there is to be a local

history Display and Open Day Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June 1-30 St Dunstan's Church which will include 'a walk amongst the graves of past Felthamites

<u>Summer Walks</u> –3 Summer walks are planned - all being accessible via public transport 'H BUS' and the like - they are as follows

Sunday July 20th Feltham Town Walk 1-30 meet o/s 'Eco Cabin'/ Feltham Pond (circulatory)

Sunday August 17<sup>th</sup> Hatton Walk meet 1-30 in car park of Hatton Cemetery (circulatory)

<u>Sunday September 7<sup>th</sup></u> Feltham Village Walk meet 1-30 o/s St Dunstan's Church (circulatory)

AOB – under AOB a short film was shown concerning the unveiling of a replica of Stephenson's Rocket (Lino Cerskola) plus an update by Paul Lerner concerning 'disc like' display relating to the contribution given by past Felthamites who had worked on the Railway in the Feltham area. Additionally there was information on a past employee of Aston Martin, with the son of the person concerned producing a booklet on his father's time with this well known company who had their works in Feltham,





Upon conclusion of the AOB the 'short talk' for the evening was given by the Treasurer surrounding an article from the vast collection of Eddie Menday's 'Looking Back' series produced for the Middlesex Chronicle.

The meeting closed at 9-10pm with the Chair providing detail of the date of the next meeting Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025 when the 'short talk' will feature some of Feltham's Centenarians 'Jenno/Browell and Menday' for example!