

	MILL ROAD HISTORY SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING																	
DATE	May 8th 2018																	
Present	<p><u>From current Committee</u> Allan Brigham Emma Bonsall Ila Chandavarkar Jo Costin Julia Ewans (<i>Treasurer</i>) Simon Middleton Lucy Walker (<i>Chair</i>) Caro Wilson (<i>Secretary</i>)</p> <p>Apologies from Robin Mansfield</p> <p>The following attendees gave consent for their name to be recorded in the minutes:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Felicity Higginson</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Piete Brooks</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sophie Smiley</td> <td>Andrew Coombe</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clive Chapman</td> <td>Wendy Chapman</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Eunice Botwright</td> <td>Helen Weinstein</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mary Joannou</td> <td>Mary Naylor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Caroline Nicholson</td> <td>Ruth hatch</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kieran Roberts</td> <td>Joe McIntyre</td> </tr> <tr> <td>E.L. Jenkins</td> <td>D. M Gilbey</td> </tr> </table>	Felicity Higginson	Piete Brooks	Sophie Smiley	Andrew Coombe	Clive Chapman	Wendy Chapman	Eunice Botwright	Helen Weinstein	Mary Joannou	Mary Naylor	Caroline Nicholson	Ruth hatch	Kieran Roberts	Joe McIntyre	E.L. Jenkins	D. M Gilbey	
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Minutes	The minutes of the General Meeting on 8.05.17 were accepted. There were no matters arising	ACTIONS																
1. Chair	<p>Chair, Lucy Walker, gave her report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This was the third year of the Society's existence and the work of the committee continued to be varied and interesting. • The alternation of Talks and Workshops would be continued in the 18/19 programme • As well as the events in the brochure the Society participated in the Writing Historical Fiction course at ARU, in the A level Geography Course at Cottenham College, and welcomed their close connection with the Cambridge University's main 																	

	<p>outreach programmes Open Cambridge, and the Festival of Ideas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Society had held a successful workshop on Conservation Issues and welcomed the fact that Stephen Kelly, head of Planning, had accepted our invitation to a guided walk down Mill Road to increase awareness of some of its sensitivities (date still to be arranged). Whilst in no way a lobbying organisation, MRHS did comment on local planning issues where relevant. • The Society welcomed two new detailed reports on Captured Cambridge: Allan Bringham’s Donkey Common and Caro Wilson’s Mill Road Bridge. Lucy stressed that whilst these two represented considerable research, shorter pieces were also very welcome. • Lucy highlighted the Society’s 2017 Open Cambridge event: Mill Road Celebrates India. She thanked in particular Rasik Kotecha and Ila Chandavarkar for all that they had done • MRHS was delighted to have formed a relationship with the local Green Badge Guides, Andrew Coombe, Sophie Smiley and Veronica Speirs. • Lucy concluded her report by highlighting forthcoming events in the summer, as well as in our new season starting in September. • Lucy thanked the Committee for all their hard work. <p>Matters Arising:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sophie Smiley highlighted the following event: <i>Combine Mill Road history - provided by a Cambridge green badge tour guide - with some creative writing exercises. Suitable for beginners and experienced writers. Saturday 19th May, 11.45 - 1.45. Meet at the junction of Mill Road and Mortimer Road, near the Bathers sculpture. Cost: £10 (£6 concessions).</i> 2. Helen Weinstein reported that as a result of her work with local primary schools (St Matthews, St Phillips and Ridgefield) materials from Capturing Cambridge were now being used in the curriculum. Lucy thanked Helen very much for this. 	
3.Treasurer	<p>Treasurer, Julia Ewans, presented the annual accounts (filed with these minutes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last year’s AGM had voted for a donation (suggested amount £3.0) for MRHS events. Whilst not covering all expenditure the amount raised has been a very significant factor in allowing the Society to stay solvent and to plan ahead with confidence. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A donation by the Mandarin Trust has allowed for additional expenditure on research costs and for events such as Mill Road Celebrates India • The closing balance of £2293 is welcome <p>The Treasurer was warmly thanked by the Chair.</p>	
4. Data Protection	<p>Simon Middleton thanked all who had re-subscribed to the mailing list.</p> <p>Under GDPR regulations it is important that we have evidence that people have willingly given us their data (for MRHS this is just a name and email address), that we look after the data and only use it for the purposes for which it was given. Another reminder email will be sent out shortly; about 150 members have re-subscribed.</p> <p>The chair thanked Simon for all he had done to ensure our compliance.</p>	
5. Election of 2017-18 Committee	<p>Current Committee members are all prepared to stand again. The meeting ratified their election.</p> <p>The 2018-9 Committee is thus:</p> <p>Allan Brigham Emma Bonsall Ila Chandavarkar Jo Costin Julia Ewans (<i>Treasurer</i>) Robin Mansfield Simon Middleton Lucy Walker (<i>Chair</i>) Caro Wilson (<i>Secretary</i>)</p>	
6. AOB	<p>A question was raised about communicating with people with no email address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MRHS events and news are published in the hand delivered Mill Road Bridges Newsletter • Printed brochures are widely available in many different local venues • Anyone knowing of someone in the Mill Road area who would like a brochure delivered should contact the MRHS secretary on millroadhistory@gmail.com 	