

	MILL ROAD HISTORY SOCIETY COMMITTEE MEETING	
DATE	Wednesday September 27th 2017	
Present	Emma Bonsall Julia Ewans (<i>Treasurer</i>) Simon Middleton Lucy Walker (<i>Chair</i>) Caro Wilson (<i>Secretary</i>)	
Apologies	Allan Brigham, Jo Costin	
Minutes	The minutes of Wednesday August 30 th were accepted .	ACTIONS
1. Matters Arising	<p><u>1.i Depot Material</u></p> <p>1.i.a. Mary Burgess of Cambridgeshire Collection confirms that Becky deposited two boxes of unsorted material. None of the material deposited by Becky has yet been catalogued. <i>(After the meeting Caro was informed that 'our' three boxes of Depot material are in fact with the County Archives and have been catalogued. Ref and details are on Dropbox)</i></p> <p>1.1.b. Ceri Littlechild was not optimistic about the possibility of a community grant</p> <p>1.i.c. Phil Howell had shown some initial interest in working on the material during his sabbatical, but has not responded since being sent a link to the online material.</p> <p>1.i.d. Allan has some separate material which he would like to sort in his own time.</p> <p>1.i.e. Shelley suggests the possibility of finding a student intern who might help for minimal payment. They would be likely to need some light management.</p> <p>1.i.f. It was agreed that at our next Workshop, and in a newsletter, we should ask our membership for someone who would take a look at all the material (online and within the Cambridgeshire Collection) to assess what work needs be done and to advise MRHS committee on next possible steps.</p> <p>1.i.g. Caro will email Allan to see whether he knows anyone retired from the Depot who might be interested in this .</p> <p><u>1.ii. India Day.</u> It was noted that the day had been a great success and that MRHS had received good feedback.</p> <p>1.iii. Simon reported that Cambridge Past Present and Future have been in touch to seek our opinion on the latest planning application for Micky Flynn's. he will acknowledge their email and circulate the</p>	Caro (<i>done</i>)

	planning link to the committee.	
2.Treasurer	<p>2.1 Balance as of 27.09 is £2, 359.20.</p> <p>2.ii Donations at door for Nick Barraclough were £100</p> <p>2.iii. Anticipated income to 31.03.18 approx £350</p> <p>2. Iv. Anticipated expenditure to 31.03 18 is £520</p> <p>2.v. Total cost of India day is £303.45</p> <p>2.vi. Julia told the committee that this state of affairs allowed us to consider expenditure on research costs, an intern for Depot material and so on.</p> <p>2.vii. At a later stage in the meeting Julia was tasked with purchasing on behalf of the committee a set of display boards (probably one consisting of six screens which could be one stand alone or two triptychs. She will circulate likely options. Weight, ease of carrying and ease of assembly are important.</p>	
3 Forthcoming Events	<p><u>3.i. Research Workshop Oct 10th</u> Participants include:</p> <p>Sheila Cane (David Parr House)</p> <p>Susan Woodall (Womens' refuge)</p> <p>Helen Weinstein (Headly Iron Foundry)</p> <p>John McGill. Cement works</p> <p>Kirsty Brooks (Work of Art at McLaren Site)</p> <p>Ila Chandavarkhar: Proposed HLF project with women with migration stories</p> <p>3.ii. Lucy and Julia will meet at Bath House at 6.30 to set up. Lucy will bring her laptop.</p> <p>3.iii. Tea and coffee are available at the Bath House</p> <p><u>3.ii. Festival of Ideas</u></p> <p>3.ii a Sean Lang and Ila Chandavarkhar have both confirmed</p> <p>3.ii.b Ila will set up a small exhibition.</p> <p>3.ii.c Julia will bring plastic glasses and wine, juice and bottled water for 65.</p> <p>3.ii. d. Lucy will check with Simon (Ross St) that he will be there to let us in (about 5.30 and will help with the set up. She will warn him that Simon M will not be there</p> <p>3.ii.e. Simon M. will liaise with Lucy about giving her a key.</p> <p>3.iii.f. Unless our own display boards have arrived Julia will collect display boards from Lifecraft about 5.15.</p> <p>3.iii.g. Lucy will tell Ila to arrive about 6.0</p> <p>3.iii.h. Julia and Lucy will both bring laptops</p> <p>3.iii.i. Sue Long will start the evening with an introduction to the Festival of Ideas</p> <p><u>3.iii. MRWF</u></p> <p>3.iii. a. It was agreed by everyone that this was a difficult day to</p>	<p>Lucy, Julia</p> <p>Julia</p> <p>Lucy</p> <p>Simon, Lucy</p> <p>Julia, Lucy</p> <p>Julia, Lucy</p>

	<p>organise, and past occasions had been unrewarding.</p> <p>3.iii.b Given that several committee members had responsibilities elsewhere on the day, a call out for volunteers should go out now, both at workshop and events, and in newsletters.</p> <p>3.iii.c. Emma will investigate the possibility of creating jigsaws from historic photos. These could be used year on year.</p> <p>3.iii.d. A picture quiz: What is this Building now.. could be organised fairly easily. Emma , Caro and Lucy will liaise over choice of photos</p> <p>3.iii.e. We should use all our banners for an exhibition</p> <p>3.iii.f. Caro will contact Headway to make sure they are still on board</p> <p>3.iii.g. it might be possible to show some historic film footage</p> <p>3.iii.h. We will try to organise a programme of brief talks etc. We think Kay will perform two monologues (one with Mary) Julia can do her 'virtual tour' Caro will contact Shelley to see if she would do an introduction to the David Parr House.</p> <p><i>3.iii.i. After the meeting information was received that the Friends of Mill Road Cemetery and the Museum of Cambridge are likely to want table space</i></p> <p>3.iv. <u>Comberton</u></p> <p>3.iv.a. Julia reported that she and Mary will go to Comberton on Oct 18th to give a presentation. Several schools are now taking part.</p> <p>3.iv.b. Comberton will book the Bath House on Jan. 27th for a few talks from us, and to use as a base for a project the teachers will organise. It would be good if any committee members who are free could attend.</p>	<p>Lucy, Simon</p> <p>Emma</p> <p>Emma, Caro, Lucy</p> <p>Caro (<i>done</i>) Simon</p> <p>Caro (<i>done</i>)</p> <p>Julia</p> <p>Everyone</p>
<p>4. Committee matters</p>	<p>4.i. Lucy reported, to general acclaim, that Ila Chandavarkhar is happy to join the committee. She can start coming to meetings in November</p> <p>4.ii. It was agreed that at the next meeting we should discuss times of committee meetings in order to meet the needs of members.</p>	
<p>5. AOB</p>	<p><u>5.i. Tours.</u></p> <p>5.i.a. Lucy will go to a meeting on October 11th organised by Andrew Coombe with Sophie Smiley and Veronica Speirs.</p> <p>5.i.b. The committee welcomed the thought of this initiative but thought there were issues to clarify such as insurance, the financial relationship and reputational relationship.</p> <p><u>5.ii Presents for speakers.</u> After discussion it was agreed that Emma will research the possibility of bags or bottle sleeves which could either be printed with our logo and message of thanks, or to which a customised sticky label could be assessed. Wine could be bought for those known to welcome it or a bag of Mill Road goodies (eg jam from Al Amin, or anything else with the traders' name on it)</p> <p>This is unlikely to be viable before the festival of Ideas so Chocolates</p>	<p>Emma</p>

	<p>will be bought.</p> <p><u>5.iii. LGBT History Month (Feb 2018)</u></p> <p>5.iii.a It was thought desirable that MRHS should participate in some way, though this need not be an event</p> <p>5.iii.b Caro will email Grant Chambers of DHIVerse to see if has any relevant Mill Road knowledge, and will try to make contact with SexUality to see if they still have their historic material .</p>	Caro
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Dates of future committee meetings.

All at Bath House. 5.15-6.45

Wed Nov 1

Wed Nov 29

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Wed Jan 31

Wed Feb 28

Wed Mar 28

Wed Apr 25

AGM before talk on Tues May 8th

Wed May 30th