

West Hagbourne Village History Group
Minutes of Meeting 7th September 2009 at Pippins

Present: Josie Hill, Ted Kendrick, Eva Pinkava, Sheila Taylor, Linda Thompson and Mary Wiley

Apologies: Jillian Hedges, Val Walton

1 Matters arising from previous meeting (24 July 2009)

- Census: Josie has obtained a copy of the 1911 West Hagbourne Census
- East Hagbourne archives: someone who has moved into Miss East's former house is going to look after Monica Lawson's archive. Josie will get more details. Jillian Hedges has said she will speak directly to John Lawson.

2 List of holdings:

Josie now has the Church Magazines. Mary has been collecting these since Diane's death. Josie may also have a correspondence file or similar - will check.

After some discussion of problems of storing paper material safely it was decided that we would draw up complete lists and then pass on some non-original material to Didcot Library. We also have VHS recordings and DVDs of various jubilees and village events, plus a DVD about the Horse and Harrow from Malcolm Brownsword.

3 Enquiries:

Jillian Hedges has kindly offered to help with these, particularly those involving parish records. Mary is keeping a record of enquiries and our replies.

4 Treasurer's Report:

Linda to obtain cheques for payment of members' expenditure. Agreed that we need to conserve our finances for our own projects.

5 Millennium House Project:

Ted made a presentation of the work he has done so far in creating a web-style record of the houses and their occupants in 2001, including a photograph of every building in the village. Sheila suggested how we could make the rest of the information obtained from the questionnaire available, including a history and photographs of the older houses and their occupants. We will continue to log the information and investigate the most cost-effective way of making it available.

6 Any Other Business:

Letter drafted in response to Roger Sweet's article about the conservation area. Letter sent to PC re Monica Lawson memorial. No reply expected.

7 Date and venue of next meeting: 12th October at Fairview, York Rd (Val's)