



**FELTHAM HISTORY GROUP
2ND APRIL MEETING 2024
INCLUDING AGM**

Group Website;
www.feltham-history.org.uk

THE FELTHAM HISTORY GROUP 2024 AGM

The Annual General Meeting has been called to receive the reports for fiscal year ending 31st March 2024 and to elect Officers to serve for the coming fiscal year.

Nominations for Committee post(s) can be either submitted in advance to the Groups correspondence address before the meeting or handed in 'on the night' prior to commencement of the meeting.

Preamble;

A. The Chair will observe the customary welcome together with opening remarks followed by submission of reports by Officers.

B. Following the submission and approval of the reports the Chair will dissolve the current Committee to allow nomination for a new Committee as set out under the Group's Constitution.

C. The Secretary [thereafter] will conduct proceedings until such time a Chair is elected; following which the Secretary will hand proceedings to the newly elected Chair who will then resume with election of other executive posts.

AGM 2024 'ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS' REPORT FROM OFFICERS OF 2023

Chair:

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Chair:
Secretary:

Feltham History Group Secretaries report 2024/25,
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 2024/25

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Summer Walks 2024:

this year there will be three summer walks - all being accessible via public transport 'H BUS'

Sunday 7th July - meet 13:30

Feltham Common - (meet Feltham Park and thence to Glebe Lands and the giddy heights of Feltham Common. circulatory)

*(Feltham Park is celebrating 100 years of pleasure this year. all areas, pre-1800, formed part of Feltham Common.)

We are also planning Two (maybe 3) walks in July and 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 7th on Feltham Common including Feltham Park which this year celebrates '100 years of pleasure.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Summer Walks 2024:

Sunday 11th August - meet 13:30

in car park at Bedfont road entrance to Bedfont Lakes Country Park,
thence walking Feltham Field 'Highfields' and Boyers Pit area.

On Sunday August 11th we shall tread parts of Feltham Field 'Highfield' Boyers Pit that are not known by many as being part of Highfield;

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Summer Walks 2024:

Sunday 8th September – (TBC) - meet 13:30

at Crematorium for a trip around the Green Gym

Pevensey Road – our guides will be Roger and Hilary Parritt

with on Sunday 8th 'September' (subject to change) a 'visit' to The Green Gym Pevensey Road Hanworth is planned.

All walks are free

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Monthly Meetings & Short Talks:

7th May 2024	Clymping Dene/The Dell (RE)
4th June 2024	'Railways' pt 1 (WH)
3rd September 2024	'Railways' pt 2 (WH)
1st October 2024	Rights of Way (short) (R&H Parritt)
5th November 2024	Remembrance talk (TF)
3rd December 2024	Drinkwater Houses (RE)
4th February 2025	Farm Survey (AR)
4th March 2025	TBA

Short Talks, 'monthly' meetings are as follows.

April 2nd 2nd Battalion Middlesex Home Guard
(Hounslow) (MC)

July and August 2024 & January 2025 No Meetings

AGM 2024 'ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS'

REPORT FROM OFFICERS OF 2023

Chair:

Secretary:

Treasurer:

The Chair to call for reports to be proposed and seconded as a true account of the groups' proceedings and activities for fiscal year ending 31st March 2024.

FELTHAM HISTORY GROUP

End of Financial Year Balance (1/4/23) £323.05

Income period 1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024

Sale of books (2nd June) £ 60.00

Sale of books (14th June) £ 60.00

Sale of books (11th September) £ 7.50

Sale of books (9th February) £ 45.00

Total £172.50

FELTHAM HISTORY GROUP

Expenditure

Secretary's expenses

(Public Liability Insurance & Printing) £110.24

Hall hire for the year – Christ Church £ 50.00

Total £160.24

Balance in Bank (as at 31/03/23) £335.31

Petty cash of £13.92 (profit from talks) used to buy coffee/tea/cups etc.

Following the submission of the reports the chair requested that they be proposed and seconded as being a true record of the group's proceedings and activities for fiscal year ending 31st March 2023/4

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2024

Chair (Acting): Tony Fredjohn

Election of Officers 2024/25

The Chair will dissolve the current committee and vacate his position and transfer control of the meeting to the current Secretary.

The Secretary will then call for nomination for Chair of the group for the coming year.

The Chair dissolved the current committee and vacated his position and transferred control of the meeting to the current Honorary Secretary, who subsequently called for nomination for **Chair** of the group for the coming year, Roger Crowing, the Chair of 28 years made it clear that he no longer wished to stand.

Election of Chair, It was proposed by Angela Parton and Seconded by Ray Edwards – that Tony Fredjohn be elected to the post* - although not being proper procedure the following measure was taken to elect TF as per constitutional requirements to the somewhat caretaker role, i.e. of 'Acting Chair' until such time a member indicates an interest in undertaking the role of Chair.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2024

Chair (Acting):

Tony Fredjohn

Hon Secretary:

Alan Rice

Election of Officers 2024/25 Continue

Thereafter the newly elected Acting Chair took control of the meeting and called for nominations to the position of **Honorary Secretary**, as there was but one nominee 'Alan Rice' he being nominated by Jane Fredjohn and seconded by Chris Seymour was, following a vote, elected to the position.

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Treasurer:	Tony Fredjohn
Membership:	Jane Fredjohn

Election of Officers 2024/25 Continue

The Chair then dealt with the position of **Treasurer** for which 'again' only one nomination was forwarded, that being the current Treasurer Tony Fredjohn – the nomination came from Angela Parton and was seconded by Ray Edwards and as there was no other candidates a show of hands was requested and the said Tony Fredjohn was duly elected as Treasurer for fiscal year 2024/25

Membership Secretary, the role of Membership Secretary was then considered; the current holder indicated that he had no wish to continue in the role was thanked for his work and a nominee for his replacement was invited. There being but one nominee, i.e. Jane Fredjohn, who was proposed by Angela Parton and seconded by Ray Edwards, and following a show of hands, the said Jane Fredjohn was duly elected to the position.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2024

Chair (Acting):	Tony Fredjohn
Hon Secretary:	Alan Rice
Treasurer:	Tony Fredjohn
Membership:	Jane Fredjohn
Vice Chair:	Will Horgan
Assistant Secretary:	Mike Dance
Assistant Treasurer:	Roger Griffiths

Election of Officers 2024/25 continued....

The position of **Vice Chair**, was next considered and produced but one candidate, i.e. Will Horgan, he being proposed by Jane Fredjohn and seconded by Mike Parsons, and following a show of hands produced an overwhelming response to the positive.

The position of **Assistant Secretary**, was next evaluated and as there was no other nominees the current holder of the position [Mike Dance] was re-elected in his absence – his absence was due to an illness.

Assistant Treasurer, the current holder of the position ‘Roger Griffiths’ being the only nomination was proposed by Roger Cowing and seconded by Angel Parton was, following a show of hands, re-elected to the position.

CONCLUSION

The Acting Chair in closing the proceedings thanked the long-standing Chair [28 years] for all his sterling work during that lengthy period.

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FELTHAM PLAYHOUSE

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Chair's introduction

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP 2024/25

Fee will be £7.00

Payable by cash or

Direct to Bank

Bank details will be displayed for a short time at the end of the meeting

The Chair opened the meeting with a note on an increase in annual subscriptions for year 2024/25, the increase is in consideration of the group's necessary compliance with Health and Safety particularly with regard the obligation to be properly insured. The membership fee will rise to £7.00 per annum

ITEMS OF INTEREST

'Belvedere works'



– the people along the track side were standing in silent reverence to Winston Churchill's funeral train

COLLINGRIDGE LADDER FACTORY

<p>'Phone: FELTHAM 2654</p>	<p>B. F. COLLINGRIDGE LTD BELVEDERE WORKS • FELTHAM • MIDDLESEX</p>	<p>'Phone: FELTHAM 2654</p>
<p>BUILDERS' STEPS</p> <p>Of B.C. Pine or equivalent. Treads housed into sides and Tie Bolts fitted. Stout Hinges and Best Quality Cord.</p> 	<p>TRESTLES</p> <p>Sides 3" x 1 1/2" Strong wrought Iron Joints. Screwed and Bolted to take two 9" Scaff. Boards.</p> 	<p>LADDERS</p> <p>Pole Ladders. Handyman's Extension Ladders.</p> <p>Prices on application.</p> <p>Manufactured from Best Quality Materials. Tested Rungs.</p> <p>As supplied to Government and Public Bodies.</p> 
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-and a Ladder Factory

Ivory Works



, , Ivory Works but all were gone with the development of early 1960's – the whole High Street 'suffered' these are my words as a local historian who laments the passing of all things of old 'c'est la vie'

We have a monthly local history meeting in April and I shall place it on the agenda so as to a hope that someone may know a little your enquiry

image was one of the buildings that were on site

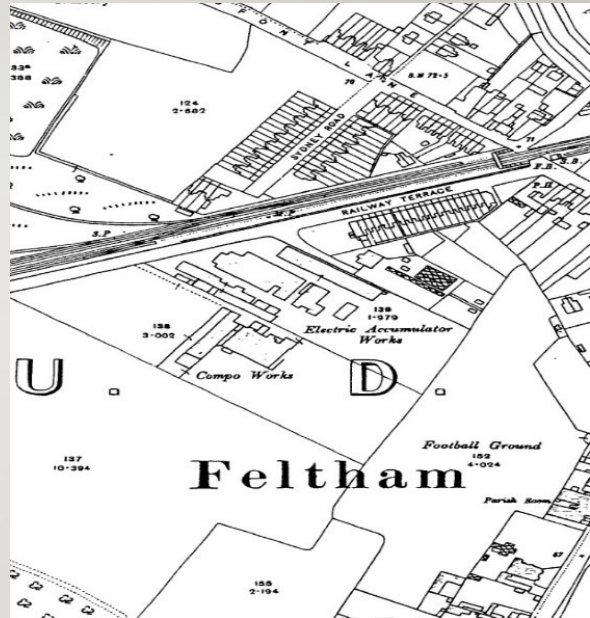


The Factory of B.F.Collingridge, who made wooden ladders among other items. The building stood on the land between the backs of the High Street, Feltham and the Railway lines on the land better known as Highfields.

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As said your enquiry will be part of the agenda for our forthcoming meeting and if any recollections are 'fruitful' please be assured I shall contact you again.

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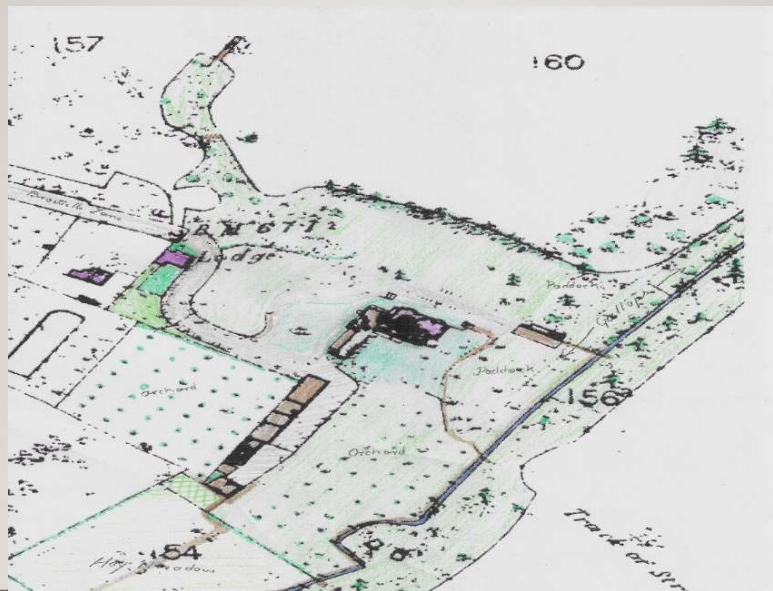
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ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There were two items under AOB, the first was from Angela Parton and concerned 'sale of land' at the 'soon to close' MOD land – it was reported by Angela Parton that during excavations an unusual amount of water was found to be present in the sub structure- this appeared not to be associated with drainage but more a sub surface flow of water.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS



The honorary Secretary responded with an insight as to research that he had entered into as to a licence being obtained by the occupants of a very old property 'pre The Grange' from the Duke of Northumberland as to the supply of water for various purposes. This water was a 'cut' from the Crane River to the large mansion like houses now within the area of the MOD [see map]

Right of map 'blue' is a flow – additionally another flow or 'cut' is indicated via "track of stream" which fed a pond that was no longer in evidence along today's Forest Road but maps show a pond and an exit flow towards what is now noted as a 'Valve House' – this flow, apart from feeding Hanworth Rectory eventually joins Feltham Brook near the roundabout of Feltham Brook Way.

Further research is required!

ANY OTHER BUSINESS



One other AOB was provided by Mike Parsons who enlightened members as to one of the largest craft of the air Blackburn Beverley that had its initial production history at Feltham. Mike further spoke of the current 'home' of the last surviving 'kite' and that it was possible to visit the site.

[Solway Aviation Museum Hopes to Save Blackburn Beverley XB259 – Solway Aviation Museum \(solway-aviation-museum.co.uk\)](#)

The Home Guard

In Feltham & Beyond



2nd Battalion Middlesex Home Guard (Hounslow)
by Max Carrington Full text in short talks section

**NEXT MEETING
TUESDAY 7TH MAY 2024**

**SHORT TALK:
BY RAY EDWARDS
WHO WILL SEEK TO EXPLAIN THE ANOMALY
THAT IS 'CLYMPING DENE/THE DELL**

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The Chair closed the meeting with an insight as to the short talk at the 7th May 2024 meeting - Ray Edwards will seek to explain the anomaly that is 'Clymping Dene/The Dell