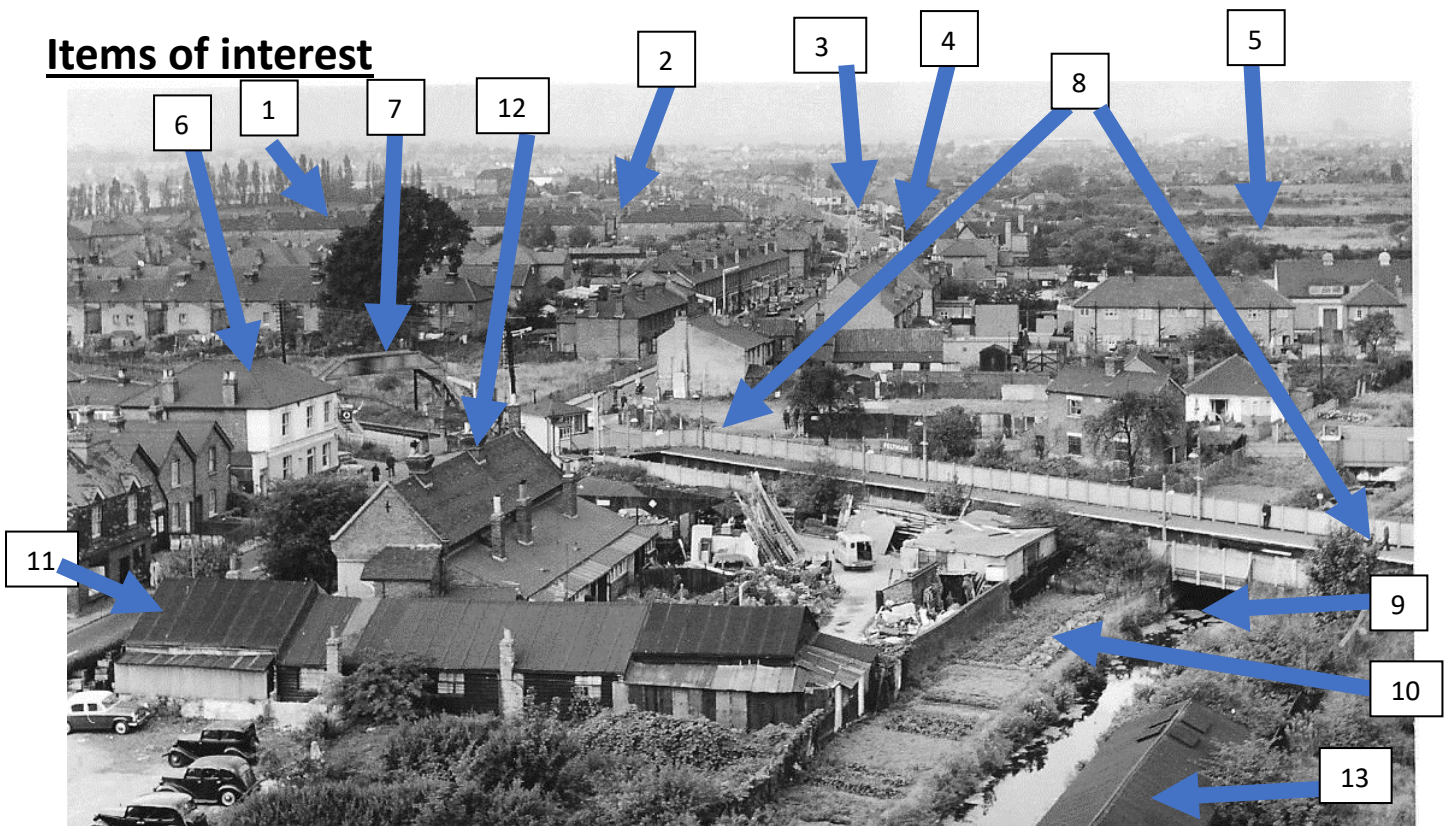


Feltham History Group  
September 2023 meeting

**Chairs introduction;** Summer walks (July and August, September) resume + other ?

**Items of interest**



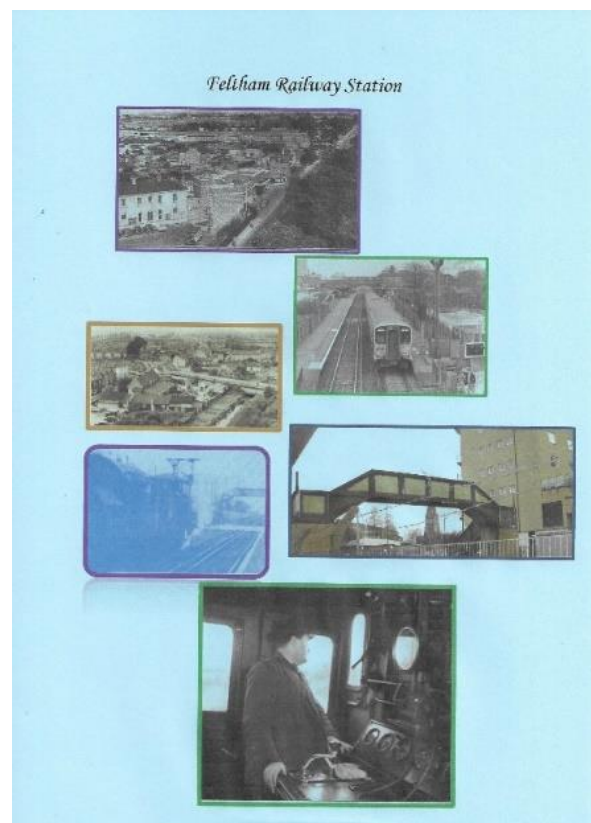
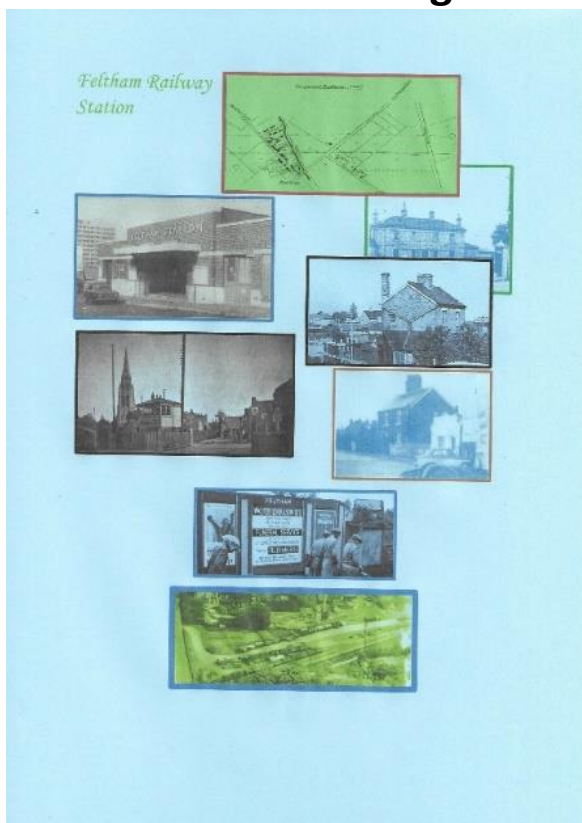
**In our occasional series** ‘a picture paints a thousand words’ we have this very interesting picture, obviously taken from St Catherines Tower – from top left can be seen ‘in far distance’ tall Lombardy Poplar trees of the [Bedfont Lane small holdings \(1\)](#) including the [old Piggery](#), which is today’s [Westmacott estate \(2\)](#). Top centre [Bedfont lane \(3\)](#), which appears to have some kind of parade! In progress. Then the [Locomotive Pub \(4\)](#) and top right [Blenheim Park \(5\)](#) still a gravel pit – Left ‘white building’ [Railway Tavern \(6\)](#), and Concrete [pedestrian steps \(7\)](#), then [Feltham Station Platform \(8\)](#) with its slotted concrete panelled fence, (no station buildings) and the [Longford River \(9\)](#) ‘note the [allotments](#)’ [\(10\)](#) along its banks and bottom left the somewhat scruffy buildings was [Feltham Ex-Servicemen’s Club \(11\)](#), behind which are the [Alms Houses \(12\)](#). The cars in the car park are 1940’s, 1950’s models. The street lamps are of the early 1960’s, and bottom right ‘[roof](#)’ of the secret [Feltham Rifle Club Building \(13\)](#).

## Feltham Station 175 years of service



The event was facilitated by a group called Hounslow & Richmond Community Rail Partnership which operate within a fairly large area and works with various partners and agency's - it was fairly well attended event 'a range of ages from the young and not so! Following the unveiling of a commemorative plaque on the west wall of the 1930's entrance a Britannia Class Loco 'thundered' westward through Feltham ' a most exhilarating moment much steam and noise of metal on metal and the obligatory train whistle!!

### + Feltham Station 'montage'



## **Forthcoming events**

Sakurah tree planting ceremony 5<sup>th</sup> September at 1pm Feltham Pond (AP)

## **London Open House**

The Open House Festival is a two-week celebration of London's homes, architecture and neighbourhoods it runs from Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September – there is plenty of time to choose an event - - locally we have **H&DHS Open House event Isleworth Public Hall date 7<sup>th</sup> September 2-30 to 5pm**

**Short talk**, the short talk for the evening was given by Mike Dance and revolved around Gunnersbury Park Museum 'the history of the building and its collections' full text will appear on our website.

**Next meeting Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**