



# FULBOURN VILLAGE HISTORY SOCIETY

"To save Fulbourn's past for the future"

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Fulbourn Village History Society are delighted to announce that their application for a grant to fund research into the history and origins of the village of Fulbourn has been successful.

On 8 May 2002 the Society was awarded £25,000 by the Local Heritage Initiative and also received £2,031 from a Nationwide Building Society award. The LHI is a partnership between the Heritage Lottery Fund, Nationwide Building Society and the Countryside Agency. Although FVHS is responsible for administering the grant, it is intended that interested individuals, local groups and societies have an active involvement in the project. Members and the inhabitants of Fulbourn will be kept up-to-date with developments and of the many opportunities to participate. For more information contact Glynis Arber, 28 The Haven, Fulbourn, (tel.01223 570887).

## IN CASE YOU MISSED THE AGM..

The Annual General Meeting was held on 17 May so if you missed it, here's the Annual Report 2001/2002:

Peter Halton has agreed to take over from Richard Townley the Chairmanship of the Society and Geoffrey Rolph, Tim Malim, David Wright and Linda Halton have all stood down from the Committee. The Committee for the coming year will be:

Chairman: Peter Halton  
Vice-Chairman Norman Osborne  
Secretary: Glynis Arber  
Treasurer: Rachel Thompson  
Membership: Pauline Hunt  
Conservator: Richard Doe  
Fundraising: Ivy Smith  
Records: Pat White

Tony Goodall, Bernie Gilbertson, Barbara White, Jackie Newall, Bryan White, Richard Townley. Linda Halton has been co-opted to the Committee and will continue to write the Newsletter.

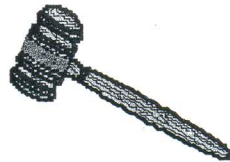
The Society continues to flourish and membership has increased to 186. Average attendance at all meetings has been 80. The Society's Constitution states that its objectives are "To research, keep and maintain records of all aspects of the village's social and historical development; to publish reports on village history; to stage displays and exhibitions;

to hold a programme of regular meetings; to liaise with the Parish Council and to encourage an interest in the study of local history." The programme this past year has comprised yet another successful annual summer visit arranged by Norman Osborne, this time to Ashdon Village Museum; 29 members spent a very enjoyable afternoon viewing the exhibits at this gem of a Museum. Over 100 members attended the successful Christmas meeting, held in the Townley Hall, when John Humphreys, former Assistant Warden of Bottisham Village Cottage, regaled his audience with some very funny and poignant Tales from the Fens. The following monthly lecture programme was arranged for the winter months:

*40 Years a Thatcher,  
History of Timber-framed Buildings,  
Hunter's Fen: 20th century Tales from the Fens,  
College Servants in 19th century,  
Creating Meaning from Family History,  
A History of the Fire Service & Victorian Cambs.*

The subscription has remained unchanged for the past two years, at £10 for couples, £6 individuals and £3 for under-16s.

In the pursuance of saving the village's history for the future, members Bernie Gilbertson and Barbara White continue to visit those members of our community who have volunteered to commit to the tape recorder their memories of the past. Members of the Society took part in the Archaeological Training Dig, at the moat site in the Nature Reserve, in August 2001. The results are still being assessed and it is hoped to repeat the dig again this year. Three members - Joyce Shingler, Mary Bunting and John Patten have offered their computer and data input skills and regularly visit the History Hut to enter archive records on to the computer. The Committee has also been very pleased to accept the offer by member Richard Doe to act as its Conservator. A well attended exhibition to celebrate Her Majesty the Queen's Golden Jubilee was mounted in The Stables at The Manor between 1 - 4 June. A Newsletter has continued to appear every four months and this is distributed to the membership by six volunteers. We sincerely thank everyone who has helped the Society in any way during the past year; we value their continued help & support. A programme of seven lecture meetings has been arranged for next winter and a visit to the Farmland Museum is planned for July 2002. Sales of The Fulbourn Chronicles and Highways & Byways continue to be made.



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