



LYMINGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Report for Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30pm Tuesday 31st May 2022 at The Tayne Centre by Rosemary Selman, Secretary

After 18 months of lockdown due to Covid 19, Lyminge Historical Society made the decision to re-start our monthly talks in October 2021.

Since resuming, it has been noticeable that the Membership has shrunk and of those that have decided to continue, there has been a marked drop in numbers who wish to venture out in the evenings.

It would seem that many other historical societies are also struggling with reduced membership, due to an ageing population and the repercussions that Covid has had when everyone has been leading a very sheltered life over the past two years. It is nigh on impossible to attract the younger generation.

After our usual Summer break in July and August, we are hopeful that Members will feel more confident to return for our talks starting in September through to December. We advertise our monthly talks on the web site, on Facebook and also digitally to our Members, as well as in the Lyminge Newsletter. We welcome visitors who pay £4 on the door.

Our new web site – www.lymingehistoricalsociety.co.uk - has been up and running for a year and it is now possible to buy our publications (Lyminge a History parts 1-11) online and payment via Paypal. Part 12 is in the early stages of being put together and more articles need to be received so that it can go to print in the Autumn. Lyminge Historical Society welcomes any articles of interest pertinent to the parish and we would be delighted to give assistance to enable the article to go to print. Just contact us on our email: lymingehistoricalsociety@gmail.com

In January, working in partnership with the Pathways to the Past project, we installed a new poster on the noticeboard in the Station Road Car Park to complement the new visitor material created by the Parish Council that is on display alongside.

As part of the Queen's Green Canopy project, we have collaborated with the Parish Council and along with other societies in the village, have purchased one of the seven rowan trees that were planted on Tayne Field on 25th March. This is a lasting legacy that will be enjoyed by many in the years to come.

There is also a Platinum Jubilee display on the Queen's reign in the Library in the LHS cabinets in the foyer.