REPORT TO FELPHAM VILLAGE CONSERVATION SOCIETY THE FELPHAM HISTORY GROUP

Meeting held on 15th February 2024

- 1. Apologies from MB & KH. 12 members attended this meeting, the most since the Group began regular meetings in March 2023
- 2. LM have us details about the "Support Family Work" system. This was initially suggested by VB, where individuals who don't wish to attend a particular event, purchase the tickets and donate them to SFW. Some 49, or more children are expected to attend "Magic Michael".
- 3. MH gave us his comments about the meeting with two members of the FVCS regarding our Group's affiliation with the FVCS. GP also attended the meeting as an observer. MH recorded the meeting should anyone from the Group want to listen it is available from him. There continues to be misunderstanding on the part of the Committee about our relationship. Two issues remain a problem FVCS insist that our Group cannot be named "...Society...", this has been resolved, we are now The Felpham History Group. Please see MH's website under that name. They also require the return of the WW1 Boards, the reason for the return has yet to be established. Without changes to the FVCS website it seems unlikely that they will make any more progress than previously. There may well be copyright issues with those who carried out the research. This will be investigated by the Group. MH will continue as liaison with FVCS.
- 4. LM spoke about the possibility of a regular history item submitted for publication to "Felpham In Focus" and also her interest in how Felpham villagers were able to cope during WW2, particularly where Canadian troops who were stationed in the area
- 5. There was considerable discussion about car parking in Grassmere mainly about who owned what in the area.
- 6. SH advise the Group on how the Post Office scheme is developing including new contacts for grants.
- 7. Finally, MH suggested that the holding of post as Chair be rotated between members, on a fairly regular basis. This was agreed upon and LS is to be Chair for an unspecified, as yet, number of meetings w.e.f. 13th March next.

The next meeting of the Group will be on Wednesday 13th March 2024 at 7 p.m. at the same venue.

R.H.Brooks

The Felpham History Group

4th March 2024