

## Quorn Local History Group - Newsletter – 16<sup>th</sup> August 2022

Last month's talk from Sue Templeman 'A (virtual) walk around Quorn Baptist Churchyard' was very well received. At the time of writing this Sue is recovering from a spell in hospital and we all wish her well and hope that she will soon be back as part of the group.

**Our Next Talk: Monday 22nd August, 7pm at St Barts Church.** We are very pleased to welcome another of our members Arthur Plater who will be providing us with an interesting insight into his time with the company of Herbert Morris Cranes, from his time as an apprentice to his time spent working in various company roles. Arthur's talk is titled 'Herbert Morris Cranes, My Whole Working Life'. It promises to be an interesting and informative evening, and we do hope that you will come along and support Arthur. There will be refreshments as usual. Members £2, and guests £4.

**Volunteers Needed:** Running the talks programme is a quite a task and help is needed with providing the refreshments at the end of the talks. If you feel able and willing to help with serving and washing up, please let the committee know by talking to a committee member or emailing: [quornlhg@gmail.com](mailto:quornlhg@gmail.com)

**Snibson Colliery Visit:** The trip to the historic Snibson Colliery pithead and associated buildings tour is all set for Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August at 2pm. We will be meeting outside the onsite café. You will need to make your own way there or via car share. Comfortable shoes are recommended for the tour and those under 16 are free but must be accompanied by an adult. Car parking is available but there is a charge on leaving. The cost of the tour for adults is £2 each and is payable on the day. The guided tour is especially put together for us, with an expert guide. **Spaces are still available**, just let Dennis know by email: [quornlhg@gmail.com](mailto:quornlhg@gmail.com)

**Wondering what to do in Quorn during the holidays?** Why not take one of the village walks. These range from 1 to 9 km and take in places of interest and refreshment stops. The guides are FREE and can be viewed or downloaded at: <http://www.quorndon.com/walking/> or for the Sculpture Trail at: [http://www.quorndon.com/sculpture trail/](http://www.quorndon.com/sculpture%20trail/) Also the Platinum Jubilee Display and History of Quorn Exhibition displays are still open for people to view during the Community Library opening hours and when the Community Room is not in use. The room now has wheelchair access and audio is available via the QR codes. Why not pop in and have a look!

**Leicestershire & Rutland Historic Environment Record (HER):** This is a useful and interesting resource that provides detailed information about the historic environment of Leicestershire and Rutland. The HER has been created as a result of decades of research and investigation and is maintained and updated for public benefit. There are over 170 entries for Quorn, listing finds from the iron age to modern times. You can read about the Roman activity including a possible cemetery in what is now Unitt Road, ridge and furrow fields off of Flesh Hovel Lane, the iron age settlements at Pillings Lock and the post medieval water mill off Chaveny Road. Too name just a few! You can access the HER through the Heritage Gateway <http://www.heritagegateway.org.uk/gateway/> then simply enter Quorndon (or Quorn) – enjoy!