



## Quorn Local History Group - Newsletter

### 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024

**Meetings** – For our first talk of the year on 29<sup>th</sup> February, we welcome Matthew Farnham with the presentation ‘The Farnham Family’. The Farnham's came to Quorn in 1243 and despite leaving Quorn House in the 1990s, still have connections with the village. Matthew will bring us some highlights from their time in Quorn. Pay on the door: Members £2 under 18's £1.00 - Guests £4.00. Refreshments included.

The Annual General Meeting followed by the February Committee Meeting took place on 12<sup>th</sup> February. The following members were elected to the committee: Chair and Secretary - John Adsley, Vice Chair and Project Co-ordination– Sue Templeman, Treasurer – Dave Collier, Membership Secretary – Ann Brown, Talks and Events Coordinator – Dennis Marchant and Gillian Ackers, Richard Jack, and Susie Hancock.

**Membership Renewal** - The committee looks forward to your continued support and is pleased to say that the annual membership fee is again held at the 2017 level of £10. The annual membership renewal is now due, and to make life easy, you can renew online using BACs to Quorn Local History Group, sort code 40-30-24, account no. 84007689, stating your name as the reference. Payment remains possible by sending a cheque by post, payable to Quorn Local History Group or by cash/cheque on the talks night. Full details are on the website; [www.quorndon.com/localhistory/](http://www.quorndon.com/localhistory/)

**Proposed Group Visit** – A visit to view Quorn Hall is provisionally being arranged. It will be a weekday late afternoon. Numbers will be restricted so, if this is something that you may be interested in, please contact Dennis or email [quornlhg@gmail.com](mailto:quornlhg@gmail.com)

**Quorn Local History Exhibition** – The group are considering organising a village history exhibition later in the year. Individuals and village groups and businesses would be encouraged to provide artefacts and displays that reflect Quorn's rich history. In the early 1970's the Leicestershire County Library Service had a policy of encouraging interest in local history. Village local history exhibitions were organised in a number of villages including Foxton, Woodhouse Eaves, Woodhouse, Swithland and Mountsorrel. A Quorn Local History Exhibition was planned, but sadly due to

local government reorganisation it did not take place. They were apparently, very well received and brought to light many rare items and documents. Is it too late for Quorn to have its Local History Exhibition, albeit 50 years late – let us know what you think email: [quornlhg@gmail.com](mailto:quornlhg@gmail.com)

**80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of D-Day** – The group will be participating in the villages commemorations with a display in the Community Library and with a special talk on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> from Patrick Geary and titled D Day Allied Air Power. Other events include a memorial service at the war memorial on 6<sup>th</sup> June, a commemorative baseball game on the 8<sup>th</sup>, a church service on the 9<sup>th</sup> and a NQSC tribute show in the Village Hall on the evenings of the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> June – watch the press and social media for more details.

**QLHG Project Fund** – A reminder that the project fund is available to assist groups or individuals undertaking research or work to preserve, record, or promote Quorn's history. The grants range from £50 up to £1,000. Further details and the application form are on the website: [www.quorndon.com/localhistory/](http://www.quorndon.com/localhistory/)

**The Village Museum and the QLHG Facebook page** have both been busy adding items of interest please take a look at the website [www.quornmuseum.com](http://www.quornmuseum.com)



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