

**NOTES OF THE MEETING OF STONELEIGH HISTORY SOCIETY HELD ON TUESDAY
29th OCTOBER 2013 IN STONELEIGH VILLAGE HALL**

Apologies: Jane Taylor, Shirley Ball, Sue Crofts.

Visitors: Dick and Daphne James were welcomed as visitors and prospective members.

Introduction: Sheila Woolf welcomed everyone to the meeting. She reminded members that responses to the Neighbourhood Plan were required by the end of October rather than November. Also that HS2 Ltd.'s compensation consultation roadshow about HS2 would be held at Castle Farm, Kenilworth on 1 November from noon to 8 pm. She announced that there was to be a series of Winter Talks at Stoneleigh Abbey, to be held on Monday afternoons. Details of the Warwick Historical Society's social event on December 8th would be circulated with the minutes; bookings were required. Poppies were available for sale after the meeting.

World War 1 Commemoration: Lisa Reay announced a meeting in the Village Club at 7.30 pm on Monday 11 November in order to discuss the project to collect information about those who survived and whose names appear on the boards in the Hall.

Disbursements of the Stoneleigh Churchwardens 1663: Pam Baker gave a fascinating and amusing illustrated talk describing the accounts. She examined the way money was spent in a variety of ways: refreshments, repairs, pest control etc. and had discovered much about the churchwardens themselves as well as other villagers. Transcription of the documents had been a challenge but she had gleaned a great deal of information about life in the village.

A transcript of the Disbursements, with notes on the people involved, is available as one of the SHS booklets available in the Leigh Chapel.

Pam's talk was thanked for such a fascinating glimpse of village happenings 350 years ago.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 26th November. Paul Smith will speak about the history of Stoneleigh Cricket Club.

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