

**Totley History Group
Totley Library
Wednesday, 15 September 2010**

Present: 25 people

Items:

Thelma Griffiths attended and gave a very interesting talk regarding The History of Longshaw.

The Longshaw Estate was owned by the Duke of Rutland and the lodge was built as a shooting box for the then Duke to use whilst he was visiting his shooting estate.

On the 5th July 1927 all 11,533 acres of the Longshaw Estate went up for sale by auction. This huge estate ranged from Houndkirk and Burbage Moors in the North to Leash Fen, Eagleston Flat and Birchen and Gardoms Edge in the south. Also incorporated within this estate were three public houses, the Fox Inn at Fox House, The Chequers at Frogatt Edge and the Peacock at Owler Bar as well as many small farms in between.

The Sheffield Council bought some of this property and then later sold it to The National Trust who still own it today.

Thelma had many interesting maps and photos of the estate which showed how the lodge was used as a hospital in the War and then used by Holiday Fellowship. She also had photos of people skating on the lake, the quarrying of the stone that was undertaken and the 2 guide stoops on the estate amongst many others.

Any Other Business:

The Totley Show is on Saturday, 18 September, we have a stall so anyone wanting to help can attend to set-up from 10.45 am and then we can return to man the table from 1pm

The next scanning day is on Saturday, 2 October 11am – 2pm at the Totley Library, all encouraged to bring any photos or information which can be scanned and then returned straight back to their owners.

Copies of the constitution for the Group were handed out to everyone at the meeting and this will be discussed at the next meeting.

Dorothy has received an enquiry from Dore History Group. The new owner of the Station Master's House on Abbey Lane is researching its history, Sue advised she can help and will speak to Dorothy.

Roy Yates will be attending the meeting in January to give us a talk regarding the history of surnames. If anyone has a surname they would like Roy to research, please let Pauline or Christine know at the October meeting and we can pass it on to him

Date and Time of Next Meetings

27 October – A get together with Dore History Group.

24 November – Rony Robinson talking about his recently published memoir.

December – Date to be confirmed – Christmas celebrations.

26 January – The History of Surnames – Roy Yates

23 February – A sharing our research meeting.

23 March – Why the T'allistone, Majorie Dunn (An insight into what inspired the speaker to use Sheffield as a backcloth for her books. A peep into a very old Sheffield).