

KINGSTON LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY REPORT AND NEWS FOR DECEMBER
2017

On November 9th the AGM was well attended by members & visitors who took a keen interest in the "*Kingston Village then and now*" exhibition mounted by *Bob and Rae Musk*. Everyone was welcomed with a drink and light refreshments, provided by the Committee, before the business began and then again afterwards allowing people time to socialise and continue viewing the exhibition. In her report Jennie thanked all the hardworking members of the Committee and invited people to express an interest in taking over the role of Chairman at the end of next year. Help is also needed with managing the archives, which are extensive, well catalogued and stored in the Church; she urged people to review them and visit the KLHS website kingstonlocalhistory.co.uk where there is a wealth of information about the society. Arrangements are in hand for the re-printing of KLHS most popular publications and new ideas for the annual programme of events are always welcome. Ken Prowse, Chairman of Salcombe HS and also one of our members, advised that all local history societies are struggling with visitor numbers at present but that there may be a way forward by linking villages across the South Hams through our websites. The audited accounts were approved and nominations invited to join the committee, Bob Musk advised that he would be willing to help on archiving on a co-opted basis while Viv Freeman announced that he was standing down as President after many years of involvement; Jennie thanked Viv for his sterling work for KLHS. The start time for events had been raised by a number of people so it was put to a vote and the majority wished the start time to be changed, where possible, to 7:30pm rather than 8pm. The new programme of events was distributed to all members and people were urged to sign up as soon as possible for the Christmas meal in The Dolphin Inn which will be on Thursday, December 7th at 7pm for 7:30pm. The menu is available on KLHS website or can be obtained from *Jennie Stanley "Brae Cottage"* Please make your choices by Friday December 1st if possible.