Report on the Ketton History Group Meeting 13 March 2018

The meeting was very lively and informative. John Collier continued with his work on Policing in the local area and showed images of a wide range of uniforms and equipment e.h bulls eye lantern, and manacles and chains, used from the 1840s onwards. We also saw and discussed police records that showed the outcomes of arrests and awards by the magistrates for arrange of offences from begging to theft. The awards included fines or jail time for theft etc, and a specific case of a deserter from the 2nd Battalion the Derbyshire Regiment in 1892. A 16 year old boy was birched for begging.

At the last meeting it was suggested that a series of pamphlets would be created on the Village Feast, Toll Roads, Lost Trades and Businesses and Village Organizations. Ann Hayday had carries out extensive research on the Ketton Feast, and shared her findings with the group. John Sharp had investigated Toll houses in the area, and the Toll Road from Market Deeping to Stamford and then onwards to Morcott South via Ketton. Reference was made to the turnpike website on www.turnpikes.org.uk.

We discussed a very interesting article presented by John Collier on the Grantham Family who lived at the Grange. Finally David Naylor briefed the group on the work he was doing to transfer paper records of burials onto a Spreadsheet. Much of the initial work was done and the records are being correlated with some of the older documented records.

Next Meeting is at 7.00 pm 10 April 2018 at the Parish Office.

Meeting programme for the year are on 8 May, 12 Jun, 10 Jul, 11 Sep, 9 Oct, 11 Nov 2018

WW1 exhibition in Ketton Library

Rutland in the First World War exhibition opens at Ketton Library on **8th March until 1st April.** It honours and remembers some of the local men who fought and died in the conflict and also features original artefacts including First World War souvenirs, postcards and trench art.