Report on the Ketton History Group Meeting on 14 February 2019

On Thursday February 14th 2019 Ketton History Group met in the Parish Office for the usual monthly meeting, John Collier sent his kind regards to all the members, and was hoping to be back from New Zealand in time for the next meeting in March.

David Naylor gave a talk on the village History web-site, what information it had appertaining to all aspects of village life, from time line delineation, to details of buildings, organisations entertainments etc. Members concurred that it was an excellent project with information extracted from Census records, Stamford Mercury and other documents; it did not specifically refer to the source of information for each entry. It was agreed that it is important for historians to check sources before accepting the validity of any historical information.

David then produced some results from his work on the burial rolls, which proved fascinating, bringing up an interesting point regarding a house called the Grange, not the Grange on the High street of which most people are aware, but one on Pit Lane, on old maps it was presented as a building of some size, somewhat similar in size and status to the old Ketton Hall; the building was demolished in the mid 20th century due to its closeness to the quarry workings. This building and its history needs some in depth research, it was hoped that members could do some individual detective work.

Before the evening meeting came to a close, much discussion took place on all aspects of the evenings subjects, with all giving due praise to David and his wife Pat for their patience and meticulous work on the burial rolls.

Meetings for 2019

Meetings are being planned for 14 Feb, 14 Mar, 9 May, 13 June, 11 July, 8 Aug, 12 Sept, 10 Oct, 14 Nov 2019. all meetings will be in the Parish Office starting at 7pm.