

## **REPORT OF THE LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY**

**APRIL 2015**

We have met five times over this past year. In May we heard about Whilton on the eve of the First World War in 1914. In September there was an introduction to the story of Captain Harry Reynolds, who was born in Whilton and who won the Victoria Cross in 1917. In November the subject was The Water Gardens of Brockhall in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries.

January was the time for eating, when we enjoyed hotchpotch and apple cake, followed by a hotchpotch of questions about Whilton's history. In March the title was "The Mills on the Stream : stories of Brockhall, Muscott and Whilton Mills."

This was also our first Annual General Meeting. We have existed on an "ad hoc" basis since 2006, but now have a committee and from January 2016 will have a subscription of £10 a year. The committee will soon be meeting to produce a programme for the next 12 months.

Meanwhile work continues on the story of Captain Reynolds.

Anthea Hiscock, Chair

