

**WILLAND HISTORY GROUP REPORT**  
**to the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING (WPC)**  
**Thursday, 12 March 2026**

Towards the end of November 2024, the future of Willand History Group was clouded by uncertainty due to low membership and the resignation of key committee members.

However, since then there has been a real effort by remaining members to promote the activities of the Group with a view to attracting new members, including a successful Willand Archive Open Morning on 31 May 2025. Membership has now risen, and so the Group's future appears to be secured for the time being, but we recognise that we need to build on this if we want to maintain an active and thriving organisation.

In the meantime, the Group continues with its core activities, holding periodic meetings, dealing with genealogical and local history queries, providing articles for the Parish Magazine, and gathering material for the Willand Archive.

The Willand Archive has undergone a recent assessment, for example looking at the suitability of storage for some of our historic records, and a basic catalogue of contents has been completed, with recommendations for future improvements.

This year is the Group's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – our Silver Jubilee!  
We are still at the planning stage, but later this year we are hoping to put on bit of a party to celebrate this milestone – we are hoping to bring together as many people as possible not only to commemorate what the history group has achieved, but to take a look at what has happened in Willand over the last 25 years; I think you'll agree, it's changed a bit!!

As always any help, support or encouragement is much appreciated, so if you would like to get involved or would just like to know more, please do get in contact, you would be very welcome!

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