



Gullane and Dirleton History Society

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Dear Member,

Your Society.

The **Annual General Meeting** of your Society will take place on **Thursday 5th April** in Dirleton Kirk Hall. Whilst AGMs can be tedious they are an important part of the Society's year as we look back on the year's activities, thank those who have worked hard on your behalf, seek new blood, and look forward to the future. Your committee is conscious that its members are not getting any younger and there is a pressing need to bring in youthful energy to ensure that your Society develops and continues to promote the recording and study of local history.



To provide interest and promote discussion a short illustrated talk entitled **Marks of the Past** will be given...and tea, coffee and biscuits will be served!

Your personal data protection.

You may be aware that a new Data Protection Act comes into force in May. Your Society is required to have a policy in place outlining our responsibilities in handling your personal data. The Society is indebted to committee member Tom Drysdale who has produced a draft policy for the Society and its adoption will be on the AGM agenda.

Your Outing.



Unusually few members and their friends have signed up for your Society's outing to **Newhailes** on **Saturday 21st April**.

This is an interesting property with much history not least about how below stairs staff were treated. An exclusive tour of the house has been arranged to start at 11 am.

There will be no charge for National Trust members. (Remember to bring your card) £10 for visitors who are not National Trust members but who are eligible for a

concessional rate. The refreshment facilities will be open.

I hope you will consider joining with like minded members of the Society to round off our activities for the year. Please let Michael Thomson know if you are coming and whether you require transport. As usual he can be contacted on 01620 843310 or at michael.thomson2@talktalk.net

Your museum.



The Coastal Communities Museum in North Berwick is your local museum. It will be opening for the season at the end of this week. As usual feverish activity is taking place this week, in which some of the Society's members are involved, to get the new displays in place.

Make a note to visit the museum perhaps with your visiting family. There is plenty for all ages to see, do and absorb.

Michael (Thomson)